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Coverup

When I became editor of *BCM* in 1982, I inherited the magazine's archives. These comprised: (1) a book that sets out, in grid after checkerboard grid, a key to Bapst Library's stained-glass windowpanes. (2) A folder of never-published photographs taken at development parties over many years, all of which seem to have been shot by Diane Arbus or Weegee. (3) Ten copies of *BCM*'s predecessor, *bridge: A Magazine For the Boston College Community*, which was published between 1970 and 1978 on a monthly schedule, or whenever the staff felt it appropriate. Among the copies in the archive was the September 1972 number, which introduced alumni to Rev. J. Donald Monan, SJ.

Bridge, according to oral history, was created to reconnect BC to those graduates who found it extremely odd that the Heights, of all places, should be the site of tuition strikes, building takeovers and ROTC office trashings.

Burdened with a lowercase egalitarian ethos that dictated a weak-jawed masthead and a nondiscriminatory approach to ideas and words, *bridge* was an unlikely structure to carry such heavy traffic. In its own bumbling way, however, it seems to have tried. A news report on an alumni gathering refers to "a bright and splendid evening, with no small thanks due to the dinner's vice chairman, John . . ." An article by the theology chairman seems very pleased to be titled "What Are Theologians Up To?" A monthly report on faculty who have been named by journalists or earned equivalent distinction reads like

the "Our Neighbors" column in the local shopper: "[History professors] Radu Florescu and Raymond McNally, those insatiable vampire scholars, have a busy Fall ahead." Young virgins take notice, please.

At its heart, however, *bridge* remained a product of its anarchic and uncertain time, the time of be-ins, letting it all hang out and the University Sex Education Committee, established so BC students could "practice using the language of sexuality—something that many have never done," according to a founding faculty member. *Bridge*'s 20 writers, editors and production personnel, for example, were listed without rank on the contents page under the title "Bridge Builders," as though they were all members of a Vermont farming commune. And the editors did let it all hang out, sometimes cruelly, as when, during the most painful days of Fr. Seavey Joyce's bumpy reign, they ran a cover story: "In God we trust. But can we trust F.X. Shea?"—a reference to the beleaguered Fr. Joyce's beleaguered executive vice president and friend. *Bridge*'s chief editor also had the peculiar habit of enlivening classnotes columns with jokey fantasies about imaginary graduates, as in "Martin Roarty recently successfully defended his doctoral thesis against an army of African Marching Frogs."

Whatever the private inclinations and proclivities of the staff, the September 1972 edition carried the news straight. JDM was on the cover: a photo of him standing in Copley Square, holding his "ever-present pipe." The lead story ("Author, Scholar, Adminis-

trator, Athlete—Fr. Monan: A Many Sided Man") was a reprint of BC's press release. And the Q&A that followed was a series of softballs except for the screwball "Is it easier or harder to be a university president as a priest?"—to which JDM confessed that he didn't know the answer and to which I imagine he still doesn't know the answer. He stroked the others over the fence. What "educational innovations" interest you? said the interviewer. "I think, really, that the important thing . . . is to guarantee genuine substance," said the new guy. One can almost hear the cheers ringing out in living rooms from Falmouth to Haverhill.

Those who know JDM's habit of restlessly moving on to something else before the press shows up (even his own press) will not find it odd that after his cover debut he took up very little space in *bridge*. Now and again his name topped a news story—"Monan sets goals for Newton College Task Force"—but then wasn't seen again until it was seen again. Similarly in the *BCM* index, covering 18 years since *bridge* was closed down, JDM appears nine times as an author, but only four times as a subject if you don't count his two "retirement" announcements. And his visage has been on *BCM*'s cover only once—on his 10th anniversary in 1982—an experience he found so unnecessary (like the creation of "filet of sole Monan" for the same event) that I, who soon after became editor, made sure that he never showed up there again no matter what he did.

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LETTERS

RISK ANALYSIS

Diane Vaughan's article on the *Challenger* disaster is superb ["Risky business," Spring 1996]. It represents not only nine years of research—which involved learning a technical vocabulary and poring over voluminous archives and countless interviews—but also an analysis and weighing of the factors involved in risk taking when "the sky itself is the laboratory."

I admire Vaughan's fair-mindedness in coming to judgment, her documentation, and her conclusion that mistakes—socially constructed through group effort—are interlinked through conformity to produce "an incremental descent into poor judgment." Vaughan presents organizational culture as a changing, negotiated order. At times it produces blind spots for participants, generating criteria that, coupled with political self-deception and "structural secrecy," glorify the letter rather than the spirit of sensible decision making.

The process Vaughan describes is occasionally noticeable in college admissions and financial aid and in departmental politics in academia, government and business. The moral of her story—meta-technical and well known—seems to be: The letter killeth; the spirit reviveth.

BUD B. KHLEIF
Durham, New Hampshire

The sociopolitical analysis of blame for the *Challenger* disaster obscures rather than illuminates. The "traditional insistence on proving arguments with data" is in fact the

only means of good engineering decision making and one reason bridges fail less often than social programs.

JONATHAN M. SMITH, '81
Princeton, New Jersey

OUT OF ORBIT

As an interested alumna, proud of and pleased by your generally laudable publication, I feel compelled to point out the disconcerting misuse of the word "disinterested" in Ben Birnbaum's column, "Inner space" [Prologue, Spring 1996]. "Disinterested" implies impartiality or lack of self-interest, while "uninterested" means not interested or indifferent.

I would have enjoyed his thoughtful article greatly because I, too, have always felt singularly and embarrassingly uninterested in the space program. But every time I ran across the misused "disinterested," my concentration was knocked out of orbit.

MARILYN DIPUCCHIO '77
Brockton, Massachusetts

ON RETREAT

I was encouraged by the article describing a weekend retreat with BC freshmen ["48 Hours," Spring 1996]. The transition from high school to college poses many challenges, and BC should be applauded for showing freshmen, through the stories of upperclass students, the many opportunities for personal growth available.

"The greatest reverence is due a child," wrote the poet Juvenal. While college students are not quite still children, efforts such as 48 Hours must be

encouraged to assist students in realizing their potential.

MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN '89
Boston

I was both impressed and happy to hear of 48 Hours. I believe that many of my classmates, myself included, would have benefited greatly from such a program in 1985. When one moves away to college and is out on one's own for the first time, the lessons come quickly, but they also can come at a great price. I can remember classmates having each problem described in the article. My only hope is that these anecdotes reach the entire freshman class so that they can learn that there are others who know what they are going through. Please keep up the good work.

JOSEPH A. IUCONO '89
Palmira, Pennsylvania

BOPPING

As a former president of the BC Marching Band and a former leader of a struggling BC jazz ensemble, I can tell you that the experience students receive through BC bands is invaluable ["Seb Bonaiuto & His Hot 21," Spring 1996].

Seb was my high-school band director. When he came to BC, I joined the Fides giving society to reflect my confidence in him. Under Seb, BC's bands have achieved excellence and national visibility.

BRIAN OFFRIA '78
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LINDEN LANE



GARY GILBERT

EXIT LAUGHING

But seriously, the Cosby Commencement speech

The following is edited from remarks made by Bill Cosby at BC's 1996 Commencement, where he received an honorary doctorate in humane letters.

We have to get through with this. It's hot, and we've got things to do. You've got to get your fathers up to the room to help carry out all the stuff they carried in when you first came here.

I think everybody says the same thing over and over at graduations. One of the things you hear is "You are going forth to make a change." That's news to these people sitting [in the Alumni Stadium stands] around you. As far as they know, you're coming back home. And your siblings don't like you at all, because they thought that with this degree you'd be out of the house for good. Now you're coming back, you're going to think you're in charge, you're going to tell them what to do, and you're a drag.

So they're going to say, "Well, if she has a degree, how come she's still here?" And you're going to say, "I'm burned out."

Burned out from what? We have five children in college, and they have more breaks than any television series that ever came on the air. We took our firstborn down to some school I won't name. Ten days later she came home. I said, "What's the matter?" She said, "We're on a break." I said, "For what?" She said, "Well, Dad, you don't understand. We have to find our classrooms and get our teachers." I said, "You got burned out doing *that*?" She said, "Well, we don't know what they look like, and some of the classes are all full so we have to wait and get another professor."

And so, ladies and gentlemen, you are going forth. Not really. You are going to leave this football field, and a lot of you don't know what you're going to do even though you've had four

NO WAITING

For the second time in six years, Boston College has filled an incoming class without admitting students from its waiting list. BC's policy of meeting the full financial need of students in the top 25 percent of the applicant pool was a key factor in students' decisions to enroll, said Director of Admission John Mahoney. He said preliminary figures show the class is 53 percent female and represents 47 states. AHANA students make up 17 percent of the class.

JUNIOR MINT

Assistant Professor of Chemistry John Fourkas has received the 1996 Distinguished Junior Faculty Award from the College of A&S. A faculty member since 1994, Fourkas is a physical chemist who studies liquids and their molecular qualities. He said he began doing lab work as a college sophomore himself and that he planned to use his \$4,000 award to help support undergraduate assistants in his own laboratory.

ROLLING IT UP

Of the 24 football-scholarship recipients who entered Boston College in the fall of 1990, 21—87.5 percent—graduated, winning BC the College

Football Association's Academic Achievement Award for the second year in a row. The award recognizes schools that graduate high percentages of their football players within six years; however, the BC players all graduated in four. BC's graduation rate was matched only by Duke and Vanderbilt. In 1992 BC won with a 100-percent graduation rate, and in 1995 it won with 94.4 percent. Nationally, the six-year average for football players is 54 percent.

years to figure this out.

When our firstborn graduated, I saw all the graduates out in the center of a field, hugging each other and kissing. And then they threw their caps up into the air, which 900 parents dove down and picked up and said, "You know these things cost *twenty-five* dollars!" And I was in the car afterward with Mrs. Cosby, we were driving, and I looked in the rearview mirror, and there was our daughter, behind us, in *her* car—the \$40,600 car, which I originally paid \$600 for. Yeah, you know the \$40,000 is parking tickets, which she said weren't her fault. It was the stupid sign that said No Parking right where there was a space. And

she had on her cap and gown and she was just bopping and waving her diploma. I pulled over, and she pulled over behind us. She rolled the windows down—she has air-conditioning—and she said, "Dad, what's the matter?" I said, "Where are you going?" She said, "Dad-dy, I'm going home!" Then I said, "Really? Do you live near us?"

Well, of course, she came home. She came home, and every day during the week she woke up at two-thirty in the afternoon, got dressed and left the house at quarter to five to go look for work. She came back at six-thirty, and she said all the places were closed. And I said with great sarcasm, "Well, dear, perhaps they'll come

here." And she said, without malice or forethought, "You *think* so?"

Well, I have good news for you—she found herself. After a great liberal-arts education, she found herself. As an artist, as a painter. She went to a school of visual arts, graduated. Then she went out to Berkeley, got her MFA. Then she went to Skowhegan, and finally I grabbed her one day and I said, "Paint!" And I think that was her graduate school, just that one word.

She's now showing in galleries. And she's successful. I go in and buy all of the paintings. Because what are fathers for? And what are mothers for, but to tell the fathers to go down to the galleries and buy the paintings?

THE CLASS THAT ALMOST WASN'T

Its ranks thinned by the war years, the Class of 1946 arrives at its 50th reunion—barely

Just how many people showed up for the reunion? Bill Brannan '46, and his wife, Marie, pause to consider the question amid the elegantly decorated McElroy dining room, while in the background other, younger reunion classes are drifting about, talking, sipping wine and nibbling cakes. "At lunch today Fr. Monan couldn't get over the small number that were there," says Bill. "How many were there—12?" he asks Marie. "Not that many. Maybe 10," she replies. Then they begin naming class members one by one. Marie was right.

Not many reunion classes at BC can be counted in full on the fingers of both hands. But the Class of 1946 has always been special, buffeted and thinned by the tumult of World War II. Class agent Leo F. Roche '46, a retired lawyer, has a vivid memory of his fellow graduates: "a grand total of 13." For those students, campus life played out in the deep

shadow of the war. Social life was virtually nil. Students commuted from home, toiled at after-school jobs and studied late into the night, keeping one ear cocked toward the radio. "It was all war, everything was war," says Brannan. "The whole world was at war. It made a pall over everybody and everything."

The campus was fragmented, say class members. Not only were most students waiting to hear from Uncle Sam's draft boards, which was itself disruptive, but classes ran on an accelerated program year-round, and students completed their course work on staggered schedules, beginning and ending at half-year intervals. Class affiliation became a matter of happenstance. "Some [classmates] ended up [graduating] in '46, some in '47, '48 or '49," says Roche. "There was no camaraderie, no coordination."

"Coming and going, coming and going"—that's how Brannan remembers classmates. His own

path was typical. He began college at Holy Cross, but "so many of my friends were leaving to go into the service" that he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, where he remained for less than a year before being medically discharged.

Brannan was living with his parents and brooding about his future when a Jesuit—Patrick Collins, SJ, then an instructor in English at BC—came to dine one evening. Brannan drove the guest home after dinner. "What are you going to do now?" Collins asked. Brannan said he wasn't sure. "You be over here tomorrow morning. We'll sign you up for Boston College," Collins shot back. "Oh, I'm really not interested," said Brannan. "You be over here tomorrow morning," Collins repeated. "And," says Brannan now, "that was that."

The four-building campus that Brannan discovered—Bapst, St.-Mary's, "the Tower"



A different drummer—the 10 reunion attendees and a view of the Heights during their student years.

(Gasson) and “the science building” (Devlin)—was rocked by a crisis of its own. Enrollment had fallen so low that “BC was hanging on by its thumbs financially,” says University Historian Charles Donovan, SJ. In response, the college opened its doors to the military. The navy taught training classes on the Heights, and the army ousted the Jesuits from St. Mary’s Hall in the summer of 1943 to house 400 men who were enrolled at BC while on active duty. More than 1,000 civilians poured onto campus to learn science and engineering in preparation for defense jobs.

Roche, who began classes in the fall of 1942, was among those who joined the navy training program at BC and then were summarily dispatched elsewhere. “On July 1, 1943, the navy cleared us out,” he says. “We had all signed up to be potential officer candidates.”

Brannan concedes that “every once in a while” there might be a dance in the Tower rotunda, but, he says, “there weren’t fun times as such . . . People were worried sick and scared to death.” Hard work was an antidote. “We did four years’ worth of work in just about three,” Brannan recalls. “Everything was telescoped.” Small classes meant that there was no place to hide, points out Fred Zappala ’46, later a CSOM faculty member, who commuted from Lawrence, Massachusetts,

to North Station in Boston on the 7:18 a.m. train, and from there out to the Heights. “It was almost like being tutored,” he laughs. “You were certain to be called on.”

“We had to hustle to get to our jobs,” said retired priest Fr. John Edwards ’46. “A lot of the fellas did work in grocery stores and things like that.” On a typical evening, Brannan says, he would hit the books after dinner and keep at it until midnight. Students’ attitudes toward study were sober, devoted in a way that would scarcely be recognized today, the retired lawyer suggests. “Oh, the whole world was more serious,” he says. “People were psychologically depressed.” With a wince and a subdued motion of his head, Brannan recalls how somber Boston was with its darkened street-lights, blackout curtains and air-raid drills.

Fifty years have passed. Half-

a-dozen men who came through BC in the mid-’40s sit at a festive table in McElroy. The signs of age—baldness, hearing aids, eyeglasses, white hair and wrinkles—are plentiful. As the men speak, the war seems both near and impossibly far away. With a contented smile, Brannan describes the day, during his junior year at BC, on which the war ended. He waves his hands excitedly, envisioning a city ablaze with lights, its streets jammed with people. “I don’t think we got home until two or three o’clock in the morning. It was just a wonderful feeling,” he says.

Retired chemist Gilbert Arons leans over and plucks at Brannan’s arm. “What’re we gonna wear in the [alumni classes] parade tomorrow?” he inquires brightly. “Are you gonna wear a coat and tie, or what?”

Bruce Morgan

Rhyme without reason

Perusing the top-165,000 list



I am standing in O'Neill Library holding 14 centuries of English poetry in my hands. The feeling is heady and yet bewildering. In fact, all I hold is a small black plastic box enclosing five CD-ROM discs, and I am a scholarly Atlas only because one Chadwyck-Healey Publishers has had the audacity to convert into this compact form the complete English poetic canon from Anglo-Saxon times to the end of the 19th century: some 165,000 works by more than 1,250 poets.

Even with its acknowledged limits—no 20th-century poems, no verse dramas intended for the stage—the English Poetry Full-Text Database (“EP,” familiarly) is an act of exhilarating technological hubris.

If, as Marshall McLuhan said, the medium is the message, this message comes through loud and clear. At home I have a book entitled *MacKay's Gems of English Poetry* published in 1872. Bound in velvety leather, as green as the walls of an English country-house library, opening to marbled green and burgundy end papers, the book weighs at least twice as much as the five-inch-square plastic box in my hands. The edges of the pages are saturated in gold leaf; gold curlicues emboss the spine and trail playfully around the borders of the cover. The title says it all: the sentimental metaphor of jewels owned by a single collector, a canon determined by the predilections and blind spots of a 19th-century British gentleman. EP, on the other hand, celebrates the age of the “text,” open-ended and malleable; its poems are data with which the reader can interact, and its canon is as comprehensive as collective decision and technology can make it. The library windows open, the cigar smoke clears, and I double-click my way through a crystalline cyberspace, entered through Microsoft Windows.

The software's Standard Search screen allows me to search by poet, by historical period, or by poem key word, first line or title key word—or by any combination thereof. Searching the database for three random poems from MacKay's collection turns up only one “hit.” For instance,

when I search for an ordinary little gem entitled “Love,” even though I plug in title, author (Ismael Fitzadam), period (early 19th century, or C19A in EP-speak), the poem cannot be “retrieved.” One of EP's limitations is that poems published only in journals, newspapers or miscellanies are excluded. But then we surely didn't think we could really fit all of English poetry into this little black box. It is enough that we now have access to obscure gems (pace Mr. MacKay), such as a poem from 1588 that I discovered in the printed bibliography that accompanies the users' manual: Thomas Deloney's “A new Ballet of the straunge and most cruell Whippes which the Spanyards had prepared to whippe and torment English men and women: which were found and taken at the ouerthrow of certaine of the Spanish Shippes in July last past.” Browsing in the database can provide the kind of serendipitous discoveries, without the dust, that I find while fingering my way along the shelves of an academic library.

Yet it is for efficiency, not serendipity, that scholars will treasure this software. Although the experience of using EP is, above all, the computer user's familiar experience of waiting—even a simple search can take several minutes—one has only to imagine the months and years of legwork necessary to replicate even one of these searches manually, to realize that a new world of scholarly possibility has been opened up. Using as a key word “buckle,” that famous crux in Gerard Manley Hopkins' “The Windhover,” I was able to search the periods 1835-70 and 1870-1900 (C19B and C19C) for all poetic instances of that word, hoping to find uses from the period of Hopkins' life which would illuminate the heavy demands he put upon it in his much-analyzed lines: “Brute beauty and valour and act, oh, air, pride, plume, here/Buckle!” The search turned up 45 hits from the earlier period and 25 from the later. Even if I could have replicated the computer's inhumanly thorough search, I would have had to trudge all over the library, from Browning to Kipling to Stevenson, to read the poems it had uncovered in minutes. Now all I had to do was to sift through each poem, selecting and opening it up on the screen without leaving my chair. Time and space had been neatly conquered with a few clicks of a mouse. Opening windows that open on to other windows, the English Poetry Full-Text Database offers the virtual version of what Keats called “magic casements.”

Clare M. Dunsford

WHAT TO BE

*An academic planning group weighs in
with a vision of BC's future*

A committee formed by President Monan has issued a document, "Advancing the Legacy: The New Millennium," calling for changes in BC's academic agenda that, if enacted, will noticeably raise BC's standing as a research institution and as an undergraduate college.

The final report from the University Academic Planning Council (UAPC) was a slim 17 pages in length when it landed in campus mailboxes in May, but it had been propelled by nearly two years of public and private discussion and review and backed by 12 pounds' worth of studies, projections, proposals, responses and counterresponses.

While hundreds of faculty and staff became involved in UAPC-generated conversations about such topics as the role of research in university life and the characteristics of Jesuit edu-

cation [See "Can we talk?" Linden Lane, Spring 1996], the report was principally the work of 22 faculty members and eight administrators, all invited by Fr. Monan in the fall of 1994 to identify a set of "new opportunities" for Boston College in view of recent changes on campus, in society and in higher education. BC's last such academic planning group, which produced a document called "The Goals for the Nineties," concluded its deliberations in 1986.

Authored by the UAPC chairmen—Associate Vice President Robert Newton and Dean of Graduate A&S Michael Smyer—the report presented itself as a response to a set of changed circumstances. Those ranged from BC's improved financial and academic profile to the decline of public confidence in higher education to the

marked drop in government support for financial aid. The planning council presented a set of recommendations that included:

- Commitment to an undergraduate program of education that includes "rigorous intellectual development [and] religious, ethical and personal formation."
- Reaffirmation of "graduate and professional education as an essential and integral component of the University's vision."
- Increased expectations for faculty research without jeopardizing "the central role" of teaching.
- Emphasis on the "Jesuit tradition of liberal education and of intellectual engagement between religious faith and contemporary culture."
- Support of community building, ethnic diversity, international programs and innovation in technology.

Along with each recommendation, the council offered a set of potential strategies for meeting the goal. Among the strategies for increasing faculty research productivity, for example, was a selective reduction in teaching loads and the founding of multidisciplinary centers for research that "benefits society, enriches culture and addresses important social issues."

In a preamble, the council called the document an agenda for BC in its "quest to advance its legacy." That agenda is now being examined by an implementation committee that is expected to offer its report by late fall. The report will consider the cost of the proposed changes and ways of meeting the costs through internal reallocations as well as a capital fund-raising campaign. The approved recommendations are expected to be phased in over the course of a decade.

EVENING FALLS

Extending a long tradition of name changing to denote new circumstances, BC's Evening College has become the College of Advancing Studies (CAS). According to Deon Jones Woods, SJ, the new name is reflective of a college that, beginning this fall, will offer a master's in administrative studies, in addition to undergraduate degrees. Currently enrolling about 1,200 students a year, the CAS was founded in 1929 as the Downtown Center and became the Junior College in 1933, Boston College Intown in 1935 and the Evening College in 1963.

GRECIAN TURN

Associate Professor of Philosophy John Cleary has received a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities to study the theological thought of the Greek philosopher Proclus. Proclus led the Athenian Academy in its last years in the fifth century, and although he was an opponent of Christianity, his theological writings strongly influenced later Christian thinkers. Cleary's NEH grant will fund a year's study at universities in Paris, Brussels, and Dublin.

HOME IMPROVEMENT

A&S has established a minor in environmental studies, pairing course work in chemistry, economics, geology, biology and law with an internship. Debuting this fall, the program will teach scientific, cultural and political aspects of environmental issues and will prepare students for careers in environmental professions. A&S Dean J. Robert Barth, SJ, called the new minor "appropriate for an institution that puts a high premium on social responsibility and concern for the stewardship of creation."



GARY GILBERT

Slow-change artists—planning council heads Smyer (left) and Newton

GRANTED

Flatley Professor of Theology David Hollenbach, SJ, and SON Associate Professor Ronna Krozy have been awarded Fulbright grants to teach and study abroad. Hollenbach will teach human rights at the Catholic University of Eastern Africa in Nairobi, Kenya; and Krozy will teach in the nursing school at Catholic University of Santiago in Ecuador. Four students also won Fulbright fellowships: history graduate student Mark Stansbury and Grant Kaplan '96, for study in Germany; and Bryan Castro '96, and Michael Duffy '96, for studies in Argentinian history.

HAIL FELLOWS



Two members of the faculty have received Guggenheim Foundation fellowships for 1996. English Professor Dayton Haskin, standing, and John Koch, a part-time member of the department of Slavic and Eastern languages, were among 158 artists, scholars and scientists selected from nearly 3,000 applicants. Haskin will examine the Victorian response to 17th-century poet John Donne. Koch will study manuscripts of Welsh poems composed during the sixth and seventh centuries.



Do U.S. workers have cause for concern? Gottschalk, Kanter, Kertzman and Sweeney debate the question.

MOODY BLUES

A group of economic experts anxiously discuss anxiety levels in the U.S. workforce

The early panel at the Boston College Conference on Prospects for a Global Economy carried a wide-ranging title—"American Jobs, Economic Growth and Global Competition: Sources of and Solutions to Uncertainty." But most of the talk on this June morning draped itself on the peg of that final word. In fact, the blue-ribbon panelists on the stage of the Robsham Theater couldn't seem to agree on much other than this: today's high-flux work world is clouded with anxiety.

Harvard Business School Professor Rosabeth Moss Kanter wondered about the timing of the current fearful mood. "We've been downsizing for a dozen years," she pointed out. Formerly, downsizing was thought to be a positive trend, she said; but that has changed. Kanter said she had recently asked members of a focus group what they thought they would be doing in three to five years. "Three to five years?" one man retorted. "I don't even buy green bananas."

"Yes, it's true there's more anxiety, but there is also more

opportunity," countered Coopers & Lybrand executive Richard Breeden. "We are not dealt cards at birth."

John Sweeney, white-haired president of the AFL-CIO, side-stepped Breeden's relative optimism and noted that "in poll after poll we see the anxiety, in both union and nonunion members. We had better address these concerns, or the American worker will do something about it."

That anxiety may be unwarranted, said Assistant Treasury Secretary Joshua Gotbaum. He cited polls of managers and workers, which have demonstrated what he called the "20-10-5" rule. Of those surveyed, 20 percent said they believed they would lose their jobs within 12 months. In fact, within the year 10 percent changed jobs, and only 5 percent lost them.

Mitchell Kertzman, of the software company Sybase, said worker anxiety is realistic because the pact between companies and employees that guided corporate behavior for decades has eroded.

Kanter jumped in to say that

these days "the best form of job security turns out to be company excellence." Corporations need to invest more in their people, she argued, for the immediate good of the employee and, ultimately, the firm. "Companies that value their people," she said, "give their people some cushioning during transitions." She cited computer giant Hewlett-Packard, which adopted a strict no-layoff policy. "That company was nowhere for years, and now it's number two or three in the world," she charged.

"Great companies have always invested in their workforces," pointed out Charles Clough Jr. '64, chief investment strategist for Merrill Lynch.

Still, Sweeney wasn't buying. "Let's not kid ourselves," he said. "We wouldn't have all the anxiety we have out there if companies were investing in their workforces. We need more respect for workers. I can give you 100 bad examples for every good one you come up with."

BC economist Peter Gottschalk observed that between two-thirds and three-fourths of

U.S. workers lack college degrees and warned that those are the employees most vulnerable to downsizing. "When we say the companies will take care of their own, I agree," he said, "but it's the people they live next to, the people they know."

"People who drop out of high school won't be able to find a job anywhere," said former General Electric executive Frank Doyle.

"The fact is, the world is changing," the Treasury Department's Gotbaum summed up. "How do we deal with that? We do have a basis for a renaissance here if we take up the challenge and realize that our workers are our most valuable asset."

Breeden found his opening. "This whole discussion has a gloomy tone to it," he complained. "We sound like a bunch of psychologists sitting around." He emphasized "psychologists" in a way that made it clear they were not to be emulated in his view. "Let's keep our eye on the ball. After all, U.S. companies are admired around the world."

But the gloom could not be held at bay. "Part of the anxiety people feel is not just about themselves. It's about the future of their children," Kertzman suggested. That remark opened up the realm of ethical, interconnected corporate and human behavior that Labor Secretary Robert Reich had grazed in his keynote address. "We are more than an economy," Reich had said. "We are still a society in which membership requires some responsibility from us all."

Some 600 guests attended the daylong conference, which was sponsored by the Carroll School of Management. Congressman Edward Markey '68, JD'72, was the conference co-chair, and other speakers included Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin and Chairman of the White House Council of Economic Advisers Joseph Stiglitz.

Bruce Morgan

Explanations of Everything

for my father

By Jacqueline M. Gecan '96

*My sister's in my mother's house,
she's just put in all new furniture, gotten rid
of the tweed couches and the velveteen La-Z-Boy
so I can't see anything
that used to be mine, except for the door jambs
and the shingling, the carpeting, the cellar shower.
But I can feel us pulse through the hallway, I can
smell us freshly showered and ready for the
Green Hornet. We drip down the walls
like water damage, the very ghosts of us.*

*My daughter tried to die again,
bottle of Percocet from her mother's
medicine cabinet, but I pried the bottle
out of her hands and held her arms to her
sides and sank with her to the floor.
I hate to watch her hate herself, and when
I think of what those boys might be doing to her,
I can't do much but turn on the radio and
pretend I spot a bird or a neighbor,
make a fist and pound it to the dashboard,
like the jab on the brown vinyl might rocket
five hundred miles and land on their jaws.*

*To play Belt 'Em In, you made a big
square in the dirt road, with a little square
in one corner. That was Base. With a tourniquet
holding our pants up, we took our belts off and
held them ready in our fists. If you were tagged
you were beaten to that little square until
your hands were scraped and your knees
were worn and dirt coated your teeth.*

*Since my wife became ill, I've learned
how to cook better. I'm beyond grilled sausages
and barbecued honey wings; I can make
a chicken soup that would leave grandmothers
crying in fits of jealousy.
I sleep in my clothes sometimes,
don't even get under the sheets because
I'm too damn tired and my wife wants to pray.
I started some work in the basement,*

*but I don't think I'll ever get anything done,
nothing worth looking at, anyway.*

*I'm tired all the time, up with the sun for
morning mass and home when it's dark,
smelling of wind and the rust that clings
to high school lockers like anxiety.*

*Two months before my father died,
I'd wheel him around the crazy white corridors
of the hospital, and he'd point,
(beneath that birdish face something was still
working fine there) he'd point
to the red neon sign that burned above the swinging
doors, and say, "Go that way."
He said to the surgeons who scoped his tissue
thin body, "I know what you're
looking for, and if you find it, I'm not going
through with any plans you
might have." Just like that. Then he was gone
by the end of that year, sucking the
youth right out of his children. Not that we were
children; we had children
of our own by then. But we still had both our parents
at the kitchen table,
we still called the shots, we colored their days
and we were what they pined for.
I know this because I don't even know my girls
anymore, and it's getting too late
to discover them. I only have time to love them,
and even then, they seem to laugh
at me like I'm a bumbling idiot quoting movies.*

*I can visit that house, but I stay
downstairs; even if I have to go to the bathroom,
I've found a way to keep still,
because I know if I go up those stairs, I'll end
up with one ear to the wall,
listening for their bushed wisdom, all the
explanations of everything
we've ever seen trapped beneath the cream
of the baseboards.*

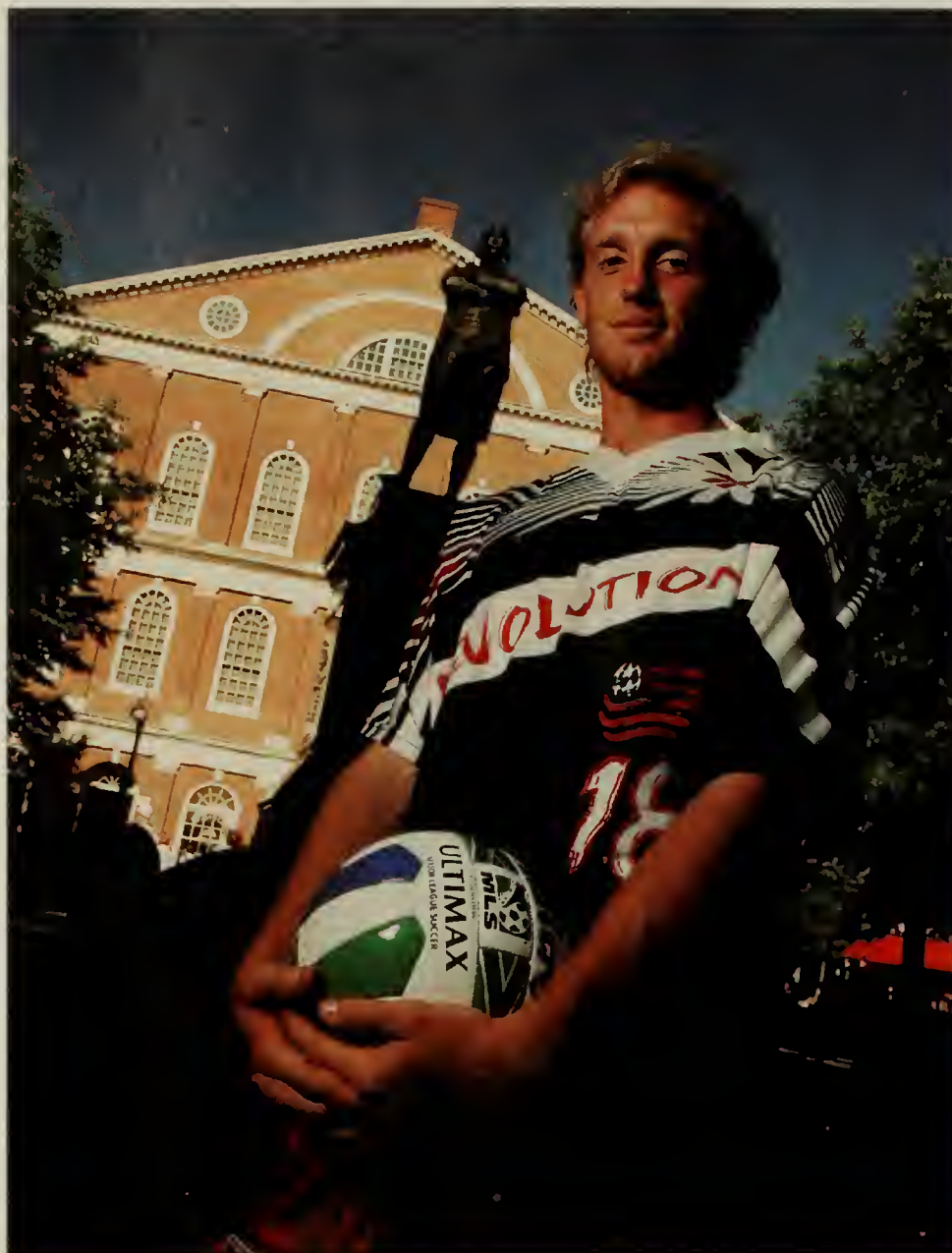
Jacqueline M. Gecan, who received BC's 1995-96 Dever Fellowship, will begin working toward her master's degree at New York University in September.

CAME THE REVOLUTION

Paul Keegan '96, never saw success approaching. He had his eye on the ball

When you come from a place where it's not at the top of your list to go to college, and then college turns out to be so opposite to your experience, you question whether you even belong there."

—COACH ED KELLEY



Revolutionary hero—Keegan takes Boston.

On May 19, while his classmates celebrated their last night as college students, BC senior Paul Keegan was already at work, scoring his first goal for the newly created New England Revolution of the newly created U.S. professional soccer league. His goal was a highlight-film header into the top-left corner, and it turned out to be the margin of victory over the New York-New Jersey Metro All-Stars.

Keegan was an unlikely hero that evening. Signed as a project and only because he did well in one college all-star game when the right scout happened to be

watching, Keegan was not expected to play for the Revolution, much less to score game-winning goals. But unlikely endings have become something of a Keegan specialty. Four years ago, just out of high school in his native Dublin, he was at loose ends, wondering whether he should try to turn his soccer talent into a career—a financially uninviting prospect, even in soccer-mad Ireland—or find himself a job.

Then Ed Kelly came calling.

The BC soccer coach was looking for a skilled frontline player, and he had a scholarship

Keegan acknowledges that his father—a butcher—almost had to push him onto the airplane that winter.

During Keegan's sophomore year his mother died, and he struggled academically. Soccer became his refuge and his therapy. He would take a ball down to Shea Field and dribble it around for hours. "His passion for the game is, for me, the best part of his game," says Kelly.

Although Keegan found the skill level in U.S. soccer higher than he'd expected—"it's a more physical, faster game than they play in Dublin, but not as

to offer. He'd heard about Keegan, who, as it happens, came from the same district of Dublin—Walkinstown—where Kelly had grown up.

"I'd never heard of the place [Boston College], except that my mother had a Boston College sweatshirt from the time BC played American football in Dublin [against Army in 1989]," says Keegan. Still, a college scholarship was the chance of a lifetime. He was ready to become an Eagle.

Or so he thought. As a freshman, Keegan suffered from homesickness and culture shock. "When you come from a place where it's not at the top of your list to go to college, and then college turns out to be so opposite to your experience," says Kelly, "you question whether you even belong there. I was a little worried about whether he'd come back after Christmas break."

GARY GILBERT

smart"—he did much more than hold his own. He was a three-time all-American, broke the BC record for career points scored (goals plus assists) and as a senior led BC to an unexpected Big East regular season title.

Nevertheless, when the U.S. professional soccer league was getting off the ground, Keegan wasn't high on anybody's list until he played in the Umbro Select All-Star Classic last March. "He was clearly the best man on the field that day," Kelly says.

In the stands watching was the Revolution's coach, Frank Stapleton, who was the all-time leading scorer on the Irish National Team and, by coincidence, one of Keegan's heroes. Stapleton was there to see other players, but he came away most impressed by the kid with the reddish-blond hair, all arms and legs, who played a remarkably unselfish, disciplined and thoughtful style of soccer. "He loved to bring other players into the game, to create chances for them," recalls Stapleton,

"whereas many center forwards are out-and-out goalscorers. We thought he could be a versatile player at that position."

The Revolution made Keegan its first pick in the inaugural draft and signed him to a one-year deal for something just above the league minimum of \$24,000, unguaranteed. He would have to make the team to get his money.

When the fledgling Revolution assembled in Florida last March for the two-week spring training camp, Keegan felt lucky to be on the same field with the likes of Italian star Giuseppe Galderisi, who was expected to start at center forward, and U.S. Olympic player Alexi Lalas. Keegan, still a student, was the only player who had to lug around textbooks and term papers, but when the team headed north, he was on the roster. Stapleton and the Revolution front office agreed to accommodate Keegan's academic schedule, allowing him to miss practices that conflicted with his classes.

No one thought it would matter much in the long run. "We saw him as a development player," Stapleton says, "someone who would eventually work his way into the lineup."

But Galderisi was frequently hurt, and his game, when he was able to play, was lackluster. Meanwhile, Keegan kept giving Stapleton reasons to let him play. When Galderisi was released one month into the season, Keegan was named the starting center forward. "His game is now at a level that, two months ago, we didn't think he would have reached at all this season," Stapleton says. "Paul's worked to create a situation for himself."

On May 19 Keegan scored that acrobatic, game-winning goal with his father, sister and three brothers sitting in the stands, watching him play for the first time since he had left Dublin four years earlier. The next day they were in the stands at Conte Forum watching him receive his bachelor's degree.

John Ombelets



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CITIZEN MANSFIELD

Former Montono senator Mike Mansfield, above left with President Lyndon Johnson, received the inaugural Thomas P. O'Neill Jr. Award for Distinguished Citizenship at the 1996 commencement ceremonies. Nominated for Tip O'Neill '36, the annual award honors a person who exemplifies the late speaker's ideals of public service. Mansfield was majority leader from 1961 to 1977 and was involved in civil-rights legislation, the Vietnam peace movement and government-accountability legislation. In 1971 Mansfield was awarded an honorary doctorate and was the speaker at BC's commencement.

PROGRAM BOOST

BC has launched two new fellowship programs for minority graduate students. Through the Compact for Faculty Diversity, BC will provide a 1996-97 dissertation fellowship to Ana Yolanda Romo-Zoya, a doctoral student in cultural anthropology at Columbia University. Additionally, through the National Physical Science Consortium, BC will award a fellowship next fall to a minority student enrolled in a physical-sciences doctoral program. The programs supplement Graduate Fellowships for American Minority Students, which Graduate A&S began offering in 1987 to four students annually.



DULCE SUEÑO—Alicia Ahumado's *Place of Dreams, Pachuca, Hidalgo*, from the exhibition, "A Shadow Born of Earth: New Photography in Mexico," at the BC Museum of Art through September 15.

Room with a view

Power lunching with the big boys

VISION—JUST ENOUGH, BUT NOT TOO MUCH of it,” said Lewis E. Platt, chairman, president and CEO of Hewlett-Packard Company. From my seat 10 yards away, facing the sunlit glass walls of the Boston Harbor Hotel’s Wharf Room, I had a wide-angle view of deep-blue water dotted with sailboats. The colors were repeated in the sea of blue pinstriped suits inside the room, where members of the Chief Executives Club of Boston lunched on three kinds of protein—salmon, chicken and roast beef—and digested the words of one of their own kind. The four-times-a-year gathering was established by BC’s Carroll School of Management three years ago. Having presented the likes of Ford’s Alex Trotman and Rupert Murdoch, who used the opportunity to announce he was launching an all-news network, BC’s CEO Club was named by *Business Speakers Resources* this April as one of the top 15 such forums in the country, along with the National Press Club and San Francisco’s Commonwealth Club.

On this beautiful spring day, the banquet room was full of men: rich men, tanned men, ruddy men, never pale men but rarely black men, clean-shaven men—specimens of the male animal genial and brushed, exuding a whiff of adrenaline, but just a whiff, the glands not pumping, but idling, adrift in a palpable ease. The list of “Who’s Here,” which I received at the door with my name tag, confirmed the testosterone in the air; there were only a dozen women’s names on the list of 175 CEOs. Of those, one was vice president to her husband’s president, one was a director of the Persistent Poverty Project and two were from the British Consulate.

However homogeneous by gender, the list was a reminder of the many diverse ways one can carve out a niche in the world: in advertising, law, health care, manufacturing, real estate, banking, publishing, sports, telecommunications, even poverty. Seated at lunch with the chairman of the Lojack Company, I asked him who invented its anti-car-theft device, wondering if perhaps he himself had. In fact, he told me, someone else conceived of



the idea and went out and hired an engineer to invent it—the visionary in partnership with the realist. When I asked a woman CEO what her company makes, she hesitated, explaining that her product is both tiny and hard to describe; it’s used by NASA, she said. I wondered how many fortunes have been made by wresting significance from the overlooked.

“Vision—just enough, but not too much of it.” I had come expecting a self-congratulatory speech and a pep rally for business, but I heard something more subtle. What is “just enough” vision, and what might be “too much?” As Platt explained it, HP had seen some of its competitors articulate lofty visions of corporate purpose and “then fall so in love with them that they were blinded to changing customer needs and market realities.” HP, he said, decided on the more modest goal of “building things that customers need and value.” There may be something unromantic about such a circumscribed notion of industry, but then this is not the 19th century.

The byword of business in the ’90s, which was the subtext of today’s speech, finally came out during the question-and-answer period, when someone asked Platt for his views on downsizing. He answered that, as popular as the tag “corporate killer” has become, most cost-cutting executives have no choice—although at HP, employees have been reassigned rather than eliminated. In fact, I later learned, Hewlett-Packard is famous for having “reinvented” itself without resorting to layoffs. Platt described himself modestly: “I’m no commander in chief. Instead, I am a steward.” Apparently, even CEOs have been downsized these days.



JOHN WESTMARK

Still, in this luxurious room there was little evidence of diminished expectations. Milling around before lunch on the Chinese carpet in front of the bar (where, the bartenders told me, the beverages of choice are wine, no beer, and lots of Perrier) stood men and women so buffed and burnished that they reflected light back into the airy room. The men's pants legs draped impossibly fluidly over freshly shined shoes—more tasseled loafers than wing tips, surprising in conservative Boston. These were people who address perfect strangers by first name, reading quickly off name tags without the slightest self-consciousness. Each was top dog in his own corporate world, and I wondered, watching, how it felt to be among so many other top dogs? Perhaps they felt like college freshmen, each having been valedictorian or football captain in high school, who discovered with a jolt a universe of others like themselves. The luncheon served up camaraderie salted with a wholesome dose of angst. The CEO Club, at least implicitly, invites its guest speakers to define CEO-ship and by the club's very existence compels its members to see themselves more clearly through the borrowed eyes of their brethren elite.

"Vision—just enough, but not too much of it." As the applause died away, Platt was immediately surrounded by his aides and a few reporters, and the room emptied rapidly. In a small clearing in the middle, a woman in a power-pink suit struggled to be heard on a cellular phone, while around her the wait staff cleared the tables of half-eaten dishes of crème brûlée.

Clare M. Dunsford

FREEZE FRAME

Collecting and burying a time capsule can be a solemn occasion, as in the photograph below. Or it can be something else, as was the case this spring when the Class of 1996 gathered BC memorabilia into a pad-locked wooden chest and gave it to the University Archives for safekeeping. A partial list of the contents, which will be unveiled at an as-yet-undetermined class reunion:

- A jewelry case containing a plastic-wrapped packet of earth and sod from the Dust Bowl
- A wooden shingle labeled "The Mods"
- A creased, foam-core poster from Mary Ann's, advertising a special on Budweiser and Bud Light
- A baseball cap from the 1994 Jeep-Eagle Aloha Bowl autographed by running back Justice Smith '96
- *Drop Anchor*, a CD by the BC student band called head case, featuring "Love Rears Its Ugly Head," and "Down with Disease"
- *Full Metal Pitch Pipe*, a CD by the BC a cappella group The Acoustics
- A framed black-and-white photograph of Fr. Monan
- A light-blue Speedo swimming cap signed by men's swim team co-captains Boris Jaskille and Scott Cornick, both '96
- A white T-shirt printed with the message "Friends Don't Let Friends Go to Notre Dame—Think About It"



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LINDEN LANE

NELSON CHAIR HOLDER

Lucius T. Outlaw Jr., PhD '72, is the inaugural holder of the Honorable David S. Nelson Professional Chair. Outlaw has taught at Haverford College since 1980. His forth-

coming work includes *Essays on Race and Philosophy*.

DOCTORED

At BC's 120th commencement J. Donald Monan, SJ, received an honorary doctor of laws. Other honorary-degree recipients were UMASS President Billy Bulger '58, pediatrician Berry Brazelton, comedian Bill Cosby, and New England United Way CEO Marian Heard.

ROMERO WINNER

Gibrán Rivera '97, a student in the A&S Honors Program, has been named the 1996 Archbishop Oscar Romero Scholarship winner. The \$2,500 award is named in memory of the late archbishop of San Salvador, El Salvador. Candidates are selected on the basis of academic performance and community service.

DEATHS

● Daniel Shine, SJ, rector of the BC Jesuit Community from 1976 to 1982 and a faculty member in the Philosophy Department from 1956 to 1969, on May 15, 1996, at age 77.

● Robert J. McEwen '40, SJ, professor emeritus in the Economics Department, former department chairman, and a member of the faculty since 1942, on May 16, 1996, at age 79.

● David R. Cumminskey, SJ, a member of the theology faculty from 1957 to 1977, on June 12, 1996, at age 84.



Trauer musik

An instrumental approach to death

BY JOAN MORSE

IT WAS DURING MY JUNIOR YEAR IN COLLEGE THAT I BECAME interested in music for dying. I was enrolled in a seminar in Greek philosophy, taught by a professor who played cello in the college orchestra; he loved chamber music. One evening when we were discussing death and immortality, he told us that he would like to die to the slow movement of Beethoven's Quartet op. 59, no. 2. Although death seemed remote, from that moment on I understood that dying was an important life event about which one should have some concern.

That it should be linked to music seemed natural. Ever since I started clarinet lessons in the eighth grade, music has been my passion, my entrée into life beyond my family. When I was in high school, music meant playing in the band and attending football games. In college, I graduated to bigger things—orchestral and chamber music. The summer after my Greek philosophy course, I attended the Berkshire Music Center, a six-week program at Tanglewood, in western Massachusetts. All students were allowed to sing, without tryouts, in the 300-member chorus accompanying the

Boston Symphony Orchestra's performance of Bach's Mass in B Minor. Although I am practically a monotone and was there to play clarinet—certainly not to sing—participating

in the chorus was the opportunity of my lifetime. I just opened my mouth, and from all sides wonderful sound engulfed me. "Gloria in Excelsis Deo."

In college, I played clarinet with the school orchestra and was soloist for the Mozart Clarinet Concerto, the apex of my performance career. I was majoring in philosophy and only beginning my meditations on life and afterlife. A heaven where angels flew around playing small harps did not seem right for me. I could not decide whether to modify heaven, perhaps putting in a clarinet choir, or to give up the whole idea of qualifying as I had neither the hope nor the desire to pass a H(oliness)SAT.

Years passed. I worked as a social worker, then stopped to marry and raise a family, all the while playing my clarinet with chamber-music and community groups. When my children were grown, I returned to social work. At the hospital one afternoon I stopped by the room of an old friend who lay unconscious, dying. He was a superb flutist, and we had played quartets together for years. His two daughters had gone downstairs for coffee, and I went to his bedside and greeted him by name. There was no response. Then I asked, "Can you whistle the first theme of a Mozart flute quartet?" Partially opening his eyes, he whistled the theme. Then he drifted off. He was pronounced dead an hour later. Clearly, for him, music was the bridge between life and death.

Music touches a different part of the brain than language does, I think, a more essential, more spiritual part. I don't understand the neurobiology of this phenomenon, but working with special-needs students at BC's Campus School, my colleagues and I often use music to reach students who seem impervious to language.

The year I joined the Boston College Concert Band, 1993, coincided with a series of deaths for me. My mother, my husband, my sister and a close friend all died within two years. I was preoccupied with death and, correspondingly, with funerals. We live in the era of the personalized funeral, interspersing the old traditional rites with idiosyncratic talks and musical selections. During that year I attended the funeral of a cellist friend with whom I had played for years. His widow arranged for another cellist to play at his funeral; she thought he would have liked it. For the funeral of another friend who loved Jewish music, I located a woman cantor to sing. He had enjoyed hearing her sing at a music service shortly before his death. When my sister died, my niece, now a student rabbi, opened the service by playing the Wellesley College

alma mater on the flute my sister had given her. At the funeral of an elderly lady who liked Dixieland jazz, a trumpeter played "When the Saints Go Marching In."

During this period I found myself eager to return to band rehearsals. I didn't really know anyone there, but the experience was somehow comforting to me. In an orchestra, musicians customarily begin rehearsals by blowing long tones, with crescendos and diminuendos, until each section is in tune, using the A of the oboe as a standard. I found this ritual oddly calming.

As the band played, I could blow my clarinet in the midst of trombones and French horns, timpani and tubas, cymbals and saxophones, and a large ethereal flute section, trilling way up to the skies. The sound seemed to merge with the universe, grounded by the low beat of kettle drums, which helped me to feel connected with others, not quite so empty, perhaps a touch immortal, united with those who had died through the music of those who lived.

I was befriended by the band's two best clarinetists, Amy Feider '97, and Gabe Largess '90. They advised me about reeds. When Amy went home to Wisconsin for her Christmas vacation, she brought me back a special ligature, the piece that holds the reed to the mouthpiece. During breaks at rehearsals, I shared with Amy and Gabe my current losses. We had intense conversations about music for funerals. Because my demise was deemed more imminent than theirs, we fantasized about the music I wanted played at my funeral. We planned a program based on major works for the clarinet: Beethoven, Brahms, Weber and, of course, Mozart's Quintet for Clarinet and Strings and his Clarinet Concerto. My companions offered to play and said they would round up the other instrumentalists. Then I realized I wanted to play, too, and Gabe suggested we prerecord the funeral music. Because some of our selections call for just one clarinet, we may have to hold tryouts.

So that is the plan. My flutist niece will be the rabbi, and her clarinetist sister will bring in a small klezmer group. My engineer son came up with the idea of installing the tape at the cemetery so that the program can be recalled at the push of a button.

Now that the details are settled, I have only to be concerned with the illness and dying part, about which I receive a tremendous amount of mail and telephone calls from insurance companies selling long-term-care policies. I'm holding out for a prospectus on assisted living that offers the opportunity to leave this world while playing in a woodwind quintet, preferably in tune. We all have our concept of dying with dignity.

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News flash

In Kenya to teach, a freshman learns about learning

BY WILL AUBUCHON '99

"Today the Board of Education raised the school fees for the University of Nairobi from 6,000 shillings to 120,000 shillings and created a loans board for those students in financial need." Vincent was in the middle of asking me whether California was actually going to fall into the ocean, when this bulletin flashed over the airwaves. He froze, then pulled the radio across the table and stared into the speakers. "President Daniel arap Moi encourages students not to rally, protest or cause any disturbances that could delay the opening of the university for the coming semester," the broadcast continued. Vincent closed his eyes and stroked his upper lip with the tips of his fingers, cooling his hot palm with a hard, heavy breath. I arrived by taxicab at the village where

I'd been assigned as a volunteer schoolteacher. The driver showed me the dirt path that led to my host family's property, wished me good luck and drove off. I watched his car bounce from rock to rut until its black smoke disappeared into the still air; then, anxiously, I peered down at the scratched surface of my grandfather's old watch. It was 4 p.m., and, as they did every afternoon in the winter season, the skies began to rain.

The rain poured down quickly over the Western Province of Kenya onto the green quilt of trees and bushes. Rivers of raindrops cut between thick stalks of grass, soaking into the soft laterite soil and my cold, muddy shoes. From the main road I walked, bent against the force of my heavy pack and the wind

that blew waves over the cornfields surrounding me. Steam rose from the collar of my coat, fogging my glasses. When I arrived at the mud hut in which I was to stay, my hostess, whom I would come to call Mum, was still at the school where she taught. Her son, Vincent, though, was waiting to receive me.

Vincent was 21, and he wore neatly ironed pants with a clean button-down shirt. He was shorter than I'd expected—about five-foot-six; still, like most successful young men in Kenya, he stood proudly, elevating his head to meet my eyes and greeting me with a firm Western-style handshake. In fluent English, he insisted on carrying my bags and directed me to my bed, in the room on the left side of the hut, next to the old kitchen. In the right room of the hut, there was another bed, where Vincent and his cousin Julius slept, and a table, where for the next two months I would plan my lessons in English and mathematics. Vincent left me, and I sat down in the darkness, staring at my backpack and picturing the clean, dry clothes within. Above me, the rain played the tin roof like a drum. Through the misty light that filtered past the door, I could see Vincent's hands resting on the table before him. Still in my wet clothes, I came out and sat down across from him. His bright eyes floated over his skin—skin so black it seemed to melt into the dark mud wall behind him. Vincent watched me, then he looked down into his lap, up at the tabletop, then outside, then back at me. Silence hung between us, freezing the moment as we held our breath, waiting for something important to happen. Then Vincent began asking questions.

He wanted to know about America. He asked about American farm animals, American crops, cars, computers, the Chicago Bulls. He asked about Michael Jackson, the Persian Gulf War and what gods we worshiped. He wanted to know if machines harvested our corn, prepared our food and cleaned our clothes. He asked about my family—how many brothers and sisters? Were my parents farmers? He asked about New York City and cowboys and industry. He wanted to know about wildlife

and television and movies. Vincent wanted to know about everything—Levi's, McDonald's, walking on the moon, even the Boston Marathon. I was a foreign *mazungu*, a white man from the United States. To Vincent, I was a ticket to the world beyond the Shikoti Village, and he wasn't going to let me get away.

Of all the books I brought with me to Africa, John McPhee's *Control of Nature* was Vincent's favorite. After finishing a chapter, he looked up into the lantern, shuffling his feet under the table and dropping his shoulders, forcing his breath out through his teeth. "Where is California?" he asked. "Why are so many geologic faults there? If California has so many earthquakes, why do people live there?" I did my best to respond, but often I had no answers. At that point Vincent reopened the book and read on into the next chapter, his mind racing ahead like brushfire.

Everything I brought from the United States fueled Vincent's curiosity. The first time he saw a deck of playing cards, he shuffled them, squinting hard as he studied the differences between the jack and the king. I taught Vincent the rules of a simple game, one I'd thought was based on luck. He listened closely, dealt the cards precisely, and we began to play. He lost the first two games, making obvious wrong moves and taking unnecessary risks. He said he was looking for strategies; I said there was no strategy. From the third game on, Vincent won, triumphing in the Grand Final Tournament the night before my departure. He had an innate grasp of mathematical probability. ***In the short***

delay between the end of the news flash and the resumption of the African music on the radio, Vincent slumped forward in his chair, dropping his head between his elbows and knees, hanging nearly to the floor. At 21, he had completed just one year at the University of Nairobi, his schooling already delayed by a two-year teachers' strike. "I have paid too much," he said slowly, his words deliberate, his voice flexed with anger. Students would riot, closing the university for perhaps another two years, he reasoned hopelessly. Vincent looked up at me, his face beaten and contorted, seemingly closer to the floor than before. "I'm doomed," he said. "There is nothing in my future."



Outside the Shikoti Primary School where Vincent's mother teaches first form, the winter rain pounded down so hard it seemed to erode the

hut's mud walls as I watched, compressing the straw roof until it sagged. Inside, the colorful patterns of Mum's scarves and skirts draped her tall, solid frame, flashing sharply against the brown monotony of her student's uniforms. She clapped her hands in a driven beat, rhythmically snapping questions at her students, who called back the answers in time to the song. Vincent told me that when he was young, he'd sit up late with his schoolbooks propped open before him on the wooden table. He'd close his eyes, watching the lantern light dance across his eyelids, while Mum stood over him, tapping her feet and demanding answers with that same clap of her hands. She'd point to the books with her sharpened pencil, quizzing Vincent on math, grammar and history until he fell asleep.

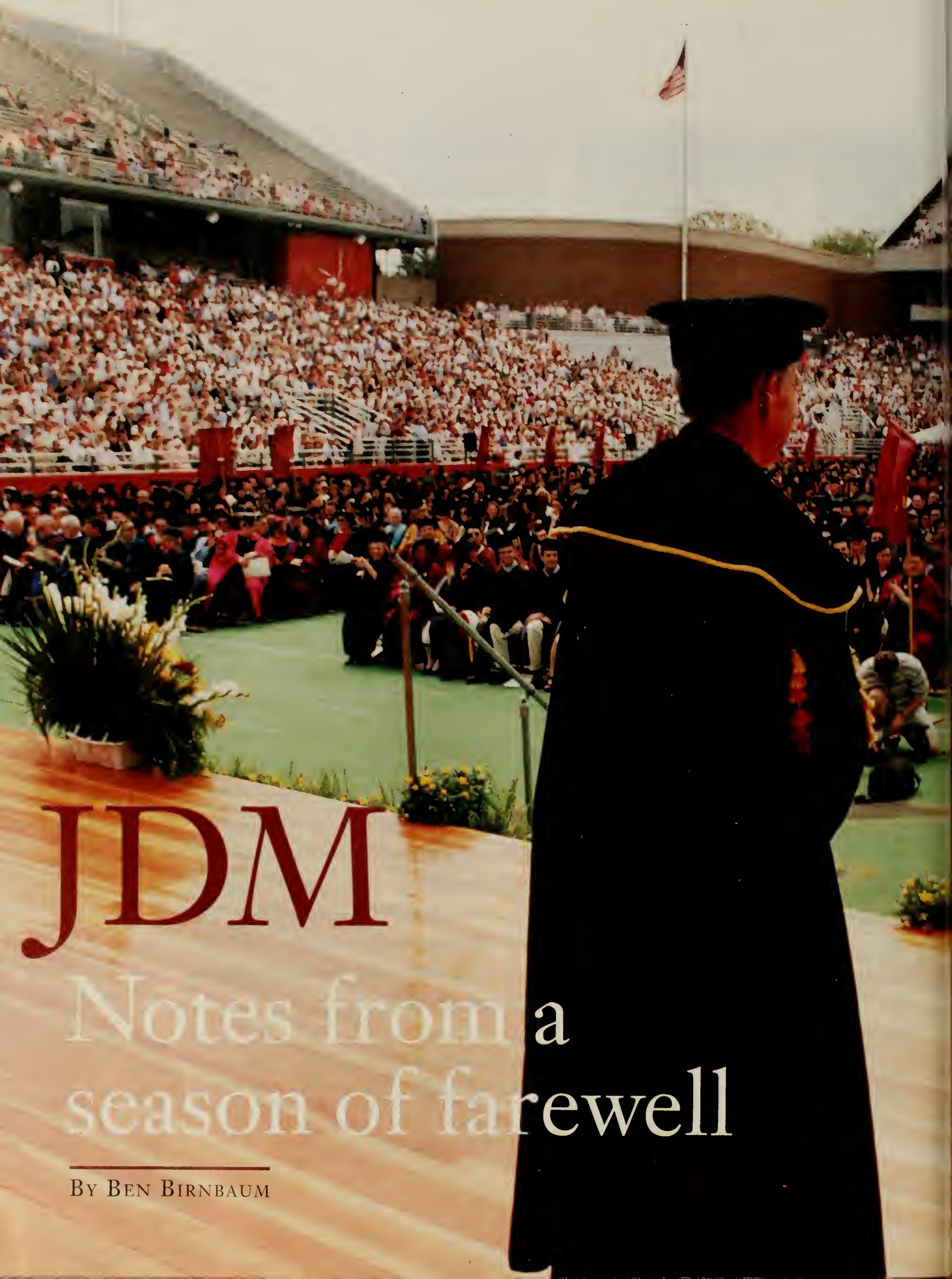
Although Vincent lived just a five-minute walk

from the primary school, he was frequently punished for being late on those cold early mornings when the dew was thick on the grass. For Vincent, school was a burden that his mother placed on him day and night. Although he had no desire for a lifetime of physical labor, he resented his mother's insistence that he study, when most of his classmates, after just five years of primary education, dropped out to learn carpentry, metalworking or some other trade that promised financial security. Still, every night Mum continued to open her son's books, asking questions that demanded answers and insisting that learning was as necessary as cutting wood or fetching water. Eventually Vincent began to open the books on his own.

After graduating from the Shikoti Primary School, Vincent became a boarding student at a respected secondary school in Kakamega, an hour's walk from his home. There, he excelled in math and science. After passing 10 sets of three-hour exams, Vincent was accepted by the University of Nairobi, joining Kenya's elite. **Turning the vol-**

ume down, Vincent pushed the radio back across the table. Silence hung between us. The same silence that had held our breath on the day we met—the silence that waited for something important to happen. But I couldn't think of anything to say. Vincent leaned back in his chair, dangling his hands beside him in the gray light that fell every afternoon just before the rain. He breathed deeply; his face relaxed, loosening the taut skin of his forehead and the wrinkles that rolled over his brow. Vincent closed his eyes, breathed again slowly, blinking back tears of frustration. Then his forehead contracted and his eyes sharpened as he caught sight of *The Control of Nature*, which lay on the table before him. "Is California really going to fall into the ocean?" he repeated. Beginning all at once, the rain pounded down onto the tin roof. It was too loud to talk. Vincent reached for the book, opened to the next chapter and began to read.

Will Aubuchon '99, who lives in Princeton, Massachusetts, wrote this essay in BC's Freshman Writing Program. He reports that protests delayed Vincent Okello Shyatiala's second year of college by only one month and that he is currently studying geology at the University of Nairobi.



JDM

Notes from a
season of farewell

BY BEN BIRNBAUM



Boston
College
Class of
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ARTS
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The first of the lasts occurred in September at Faculty Convocation, the annual

meeting at which the President delivers his state-of-the-University address. Robsham Theater was packed that afternoon in expectation not of the first last but of something else: that the naming of the next BC president would be on Fr. Monan's regular slate of announcements, appreciations, cautions and encouragements. It had been 19 months since he announced he would step aside for "new leadership," 15 since the trustees put the succession search on hold after none of the Jesuit final candidates was able to meet BC's timetable, and six weeks since the *Boston Globe* reported that the search had quietly resumed and "narrowed the field to fewer than five."

J. Donald Monan's 24th convocation address started out with a stroll through precincts that would have appeared quite familiar to anyone



PHOTOS BY GARY GILBERT

who'd been on one of the previous 23 guided tours. First, the appreciation of summer weather, then the welcome of some notable new hires and an appreciation of the areas they would lead at BC. Then came the review of construction projects and plans, the delivery of pleasant news about the balance sheet and the caution that such news should not be taken as evidence that BC had no reason to be concerned about its finances. Later came the appreciation of faculty, the explication of the current academic planning process and the comment on the special nature of the Jesuit university.

Three-quarters of the way through, though, and just ahead of the historical contextualization of the past year, the expression of gratitude for excellent work and the call for continued support of the University, Fr. Monan made the announcement. It wasn't the naming of a new president (that came six weeks later) but official confirmation that the trustees, after more than a year's hiatus, had resumed their presidential search. "If the renewed activities of the Board of Trustees among their Jesuit candidates proves productive, the College should be in a position to name a successor within this calendar year for arrival the following September," said the president in a sentence exquisitely Monanesque in its detailed embroidery, its adamant avoidance of the personal pronoun and its flouting of the principles of sentence structure that are observed by journalists.

But that, in any case, is when it became clear that the September 1995 convocation had suddenly become the first of the lasts. And, indeed, as the academic year wound through its ceremonies

and celebrations—from Pops on the Heights, to Christmas-tree lighting, to faculty promotions, to Commencement—at each stop someone was sure to remark, "You know, this is Fr. Monan's last."

A SEASON OF FAREWELL IS LIKE a full moon. It perturbs the tides. It makes people reflective. It makes them remember things. And it makes them check the backs of desk drawers to see if there's something there that might be of use now that hasn't been of use for a while and that will not be of use soon again, such as a long-forgotten black-and-white film that was made a few months after JDM arrived on the Heights.

It was the fall of 1972, and BC was an institution shaken by financial shortages, fractious students, and alumni angry at an administration and faculty that, in their view, had surrendered to the kids without firing a shot. The film's title, "A New President," may sound flat to contemporary ears, but it would have appeared quite pointed in the fall of 1972. And the production, while charmingly retro to contemporary eyes (it seems to have been shot without benefit of electric lighting or a script, for examples), is clearly pointed—a 25-minute-long assurance that BC was now in confident, young, vigorous, virile and responsible hands.

One of the segments shows what seems to be a pickup game in the gloaming in the old hockey arena, McHugh Forum. The camera finds a slim, youthful, grinning skater as he weaves up the ice like he knows what he's doing. Crossing the blue line, he takes a soft pass from Athletic Director Bill Flynn and then, while the defense hangs back

*Photo pages 20-21
by Lee Pellegrini*

He is a public man who doesn't keep the customary valise full of public selves handy. He is, in fact, himself—as much of it as he will allow you to see, certainly—but himself, always. It's what makes him appear strangely vulnerable in public appearances.

politely, he pops the puck over the goalie's stick and into the net. The voice-over meanwhile reminds us that Fr. Monan "was a defenseman for his championship high-school team."

In a similar vein, another segment finds the young president seated with a group of bearded, long-haired male students and their silent, long-haired female companions, discussing the purposes of education. "Is learning something we're beginning to be afraid of?" the president wants to know. "Where does learning fit into the lifestyle that you call college?" He listens attentively to the halting and somber responses and then asks whether "the youth culture" is "anti-intellectual." After some hemming and hawing, one of the young men admits that there may be "traces" of anti-intellectualism here and there and then veers off. Not fast enough. JDM sets the hook. "What traces?" he smiles.

In other segments he addresses newly arrived freshmen, meets with the sideburned members of the faculty senate, speaks at Faculty Convocation, receives the sideburned mayor of Newton, watches a football game from the president's box (despite the demands on his time, he attended *every* home game, the narration notes), tells the press that the finances are going to be just fine thank you, presides over a folk Mass on the steps of Bapst Library and winces when he learns from a sideburned member of the Council of Deans that 33 faculty are likely to apply for tenure that year.

I watched a video of the film several times one evening, trying to note differences between the JDM of 1972 (whom I did not know) and the JDM of 1996, and I concluded that there aren't any except that he appears to have been younger then.

The joy with which he jumps into intellectual tug-of-war, pulling the line of logic before anyone else has even set his or her feet. The uncanny optimism in the face of everything; "[You are]

capable of setting new standards of excellence," he urges a faculty who might have been satisfied to be assured that they were capable of meeting a couple of old standards and keeping their jobs. The odd spring of enthusiasm that buoys certain phrases when he speaks: "You're going to be met with an *avalanche* of interests," he tells the freshmen assembled in their folding chairs in the cavelike darkness of the old basketball arena, Roberts Center. His occasional lapse into an upstate-New York "awl" for "all." Then as now, it's the man.

So I gave that up and tried instead to watch the film through the eyes of a member of the Class of 1955, say, who in December of 1972 is invited to come by after a long day at the office and sit in a classmate's darkened, overheated den with other class members, have a beer and watch a short film about the new Boston College president.

If I am that man, I come away thinking that this guy Monan seems to be having the time of his life, and I just hope he knows how to run the place, too.

SOME YEARS AGO I TRIED TO read JDM's *Moral Knowledge and Its Methodology in Aristotle*, which is said, by those who study such things for a living, to be a fine little book. I found it to be a tightly wound poem written in a language I didn't know; I could make no headway. In fact, I don't believe I was able to keep my bearing through any one paragraph. Another of his books, *A Prelude to Metaphysics*, which he cowrote with another member of the Le Moyne College philosophy faculty, is by no means a walk in the park (see, for example, the pages on "the unity of double problematique"), but it is a much easier slog because, as the title implies, it was written as a college-level introduction to "the meaning of being." From this book I gleaned something, a note on conformity:

"The real tragedy of the complete conformist lies not in the predictable monotony of his life, but in its radical inhumanity. The pawn of alien forces, of compelling habits, of the fads of others, he lacks a personally embraced inner standard, which would place his personal signature upon his projects. His actions, rather than being extensions of his own person, are hollow gestures because they are not expressions of an inward life."

It's not a voice—or a notion of conformity—that most college students circa 1972 would have found endearing or comforting. At about the time "A New President" was debuting in suburban dens and Holiday Inn function rooms, a BC student

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Alumnotes

1996 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On My Watch



**Alumni Association
President**
John P. Connor, Jr., Esq.
'65, LAW '68

As I began the year, I stated that within the framework of our strategic plan, I wished to focus particularly on our geographic club objectives; our career services needs; and on

that part of our apostolic service relevant to families who experience the loss of an alumni family member. I am happy to report that astonishing progress was made in all three areas.

Our club activities were up a whopping 51 percent over last year! Moreover, the type of programs continued to broaden out to apostolic and community service projects and career service assistance. We also produced a revised club organization manual for our volunteer leaders. I personally traveled to nine

alumni club areas and was greatly heartened by the desire of these alumni to serve Boston College. As we broaden our geographic base, it is hardly trite to declare that here is our future.

Career services were greatly strengthened by a completely revamped alumni career network and an in-progress manual for network volunteers. Thanks to newly-elected vice president, Tom Martin, we also plan to offer a complementary training video. Boston College itself responded to this growing need—career assistance is the single most sought-after alumni service throughout the U.S.—by appointing Marilyn Morgan, a talented veteran professional, to the full-time position of Director of Alumni Career Services.

Regarding apostolic service to bereaved alumni families, the Alumni Board of Directors has asked the newly-organized Council of Past Presidents to undertake a program of visitation of wakes and attendance at funerals. Details are

currently being worked out; the efforts of our past presidents will supplement the work of our alumni chaplain, Father Francis Mackin. If this program proves successful, we will then try to extend our efforts to visiting alumni who are house bound or in nursing homes. We acknowledge that this is a daunting project.

The Council of Past Presidents just mentioned was formally organized with George Downey '61 named as president for a three-year term. George will also serve as a director on the Alumni Board and as a member of the Executive Committee during this period. Thus, we are drawing upon the resources of over 20 distinguished alumni without asking them to again take up the heavy volunteer responsibilities they previously discharged with distinction.

We also launched our inaugural off-shore apostolic service project with a trip to Jamaica. Fifteen alumni volunteers, led by Board member Bob Hart '60, GSSW '62, spent one week in March

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**On Laetare Sunday,
the Alumni Association
made a permanent
funding commitment in
Father Monan's name
to the student lay
apostolate program
known as the Ignacio
Volunteers.**

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working with the poor and needy amid truly primitive conditions. Not only did the group provide humanitarian assistance in the Ignatian spirit, but also their hearts and minds were forever changed by the experience.

Other programs were numerous. Our traditional class activities were highly successful. One item worthy of note is that the golden anniversary Class of 1946 was the smallest we have experienced in many years, as only ten jubilarians were inducted into the Order of the Golden Eagle. Of course, the quality was superb! Henceforth, golden anniversary numbers will climb steadily, with 1949 representing the first of the truly large post-war classes.

Laetare Sunday, 45 years young, played to 1,150 alumni and family members who celebrated St. Patrick's Day as well by being a rapt audience for Professor Tom O'Connor '49, GA&S '50, HON '93. Family Day in the fall was a huge success, thanks to the happy partnership we now enjoy with the Athletic Association. Our annual Christmas Chorale Concert was another sellout, and Reunion Weekend was not only successful but also the occasion for the re-introduction of the Alumni Parade of Classes, last presented in 1965.

Of course, I've only skimmed the surface. Space precludes recounting Christmas in April; the Second Helping Gala; Advent Day of Recollection; Annual Alumni Lenten Retreat; Back to Campus Day; Mother Caroline Academy alumnae service

project; and one of the classiest award ceremonies we have ever presented, featuring McKenney Award winner General John J. Sheehan USMC '62.

Meanwhile, back at Alumni House, our headquarters building continues on its journey to deserving elegance as we completed much restoration this year. Thanks go to co-chairmen George Downey '61 and Dick Horan '53—and to University Executive Vice President Frank Campanella—for making this project a reality.

As the year closed, we bade farewell and expressed our appreciation to Father Monan. Fittingly, on April 11, the past presidents presented a portrait to him and on Laetare Sunday, the Alumni Association made a permanent funding commitment in his name to the student lay apostolate program known as the Ignacio Volunteers.

It has been a distinct honor and pleasure to serve as Presi-

dent of our Alumni Association during this past year. I have come to appreciate more than ever the loyalty of our graduates and how that translates into service to the University and to the community. There are many to whom I offer special thanks: to Father Monan, for 24 years of unparalleled commitment and concern for alumni; to John Wissler and his staff whose dedication is the driving force behind the Alumni Association; to the Board of Directors whose Christian spirit and selfless motives have produced such great results and finally to all alumni and friends who have been a part of our activities during this past year.

Under the direction of Dick O'Brien '58, GSSW '60 and the new Board, I predict the upcoming year will be one of marvelous accomplishment, and I offer them every wish for success. I am sure they will give Father Leahy all the support he will need to take BC onward and upward.



Fifteen alumni volunteers took part in the first alumni off-shore apostolic program in Kingston Jamaica in March.

IN MODERATION

Alumni Board reaffirms commitment to alcohol awareness

In May '95, the Alumni Board adopted a policy statement on alcohol awareness, which was published in last fall's *Alumni News*. At that time, the Board committed to reprint the statement each year to raise awareness about the misuse and abuse of alcohol on campus, and the alumni role in this problem.

ALCOHOL AWARENESS POLICY

"We, as alumni of Boston College, hold a profound respect for our alma mater and a deep concern for all members of our University community. It is out of this respect and concern that we express our support for responsible use of alcohol by all Boston College students, faculty, administrators and alumni.

We believe that excessive use of alcohol among members of the Boston College community is an issue that cannot be ignored. Abusive drinking mani-

fest itself in behavior such as violence against others, damage to our facilities, poor academic and professional performance, and most alarmingly, increased health risks for those engaged in this activity.

We, as alumni, cannot ignore the role we play in creating perceptions among the undergraduates that excessive drinking is acceptable. We should be aware of how our behavior is perceived by students. Excessive drinking at campus events by alumni sends the wrong message: that this behavior is acceptable — even expected — of Boston College students or alumni. We should, instead, send the message that alcohol can be enjoyed and used in a way that is respectful of oneself and others.

As an alumni association, we recognize our responsibility to engage in and promote respon-

sible decisions with regard to alcohol use. Toward this end, we commit to:

- supporting the University's educational, health care and counseling programs directed at responsible decision-making regarding alcohol use;
- increasing alumni awareness of alcohol-related issues through educational and support programs;
- promoting and encouraging alternatives to alcohol-centered events;
- supporting those who choose to abstain from alcohol use as well as those in recovery from alcohol-related dependence.

It is our hope that the alumni of Boston College will emerge as positive role models to future alumni in order to create a reputation deserving of our motto, 'Ever to Excel.'

EXTRA, EXTRA

Sub Turri, the Boston College yearbook, has a large number of editions left from '88, '89, '90, '91, '92. Since Sub Turri will soon be moving to new office space, they are willing to part with these overruns for the bargain-basement price of \$5 per issue. To order, call Sub Turri directly at (617) 552-0898 or (617) 552-3493.

OVERACHIEVERS

The Alumni Association is now accepting nominations for the 1997 Alumni Awards, presented each year to ten alumni who exemplify the Boston College motto, "Ever to Excel."

Alumni can be nominated for awards in the following categories:

- **Eight Awards of Excellence**, recognizing individuals who have distinguished themselves in the following fields: Arts and Humanities, Commerce, Education, Health Professions, Law, Public Service, Religion and Science. Boston College involvement is *not* a criterion.
- **The Young Alumni Achievement Award**, honoring an alumnus or alumna graduating in the past ten years who has shown exceptional service to profession, public service or alma mater.
- **The William V. McKenney Award**, the Alumni Association's highest honor, recognizing superlative service to profession, Church and alma mater.

If you have someone in mind you'd like to nominate, please send a letter describing the person's achievements along with any supporting materials to: Thomas J. Martin '61, Chair, Awards Committee, Boston College Alumni Association, 825 Centre Street, Newton, MA 02158-2527. Deadline for submissions is December 31.

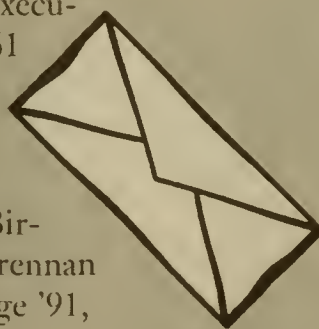
THE ENVELOPE, PLEASE

Incoming Alumni Association President Richard J. O'Brien '58, GSSW '60 announced the results of this spring's alumni election during Reunion Weekend, held on the Heights May 17-19.

Eleven new members will join the Board this fall; they include executive officers Vice President/President-elect Thomas J. Martin '61 of Canton; Treasurer Karen McCabe Hare '87 of Cape Elizabeth, ME; and Secretary Philip C. Hazard, Jr. '78 of East Providence, RI.

Directors, who serve a two-year term, include: Karen Murphy Birmingham NEW '64, James P. Day, Esq. '67, Rev. Lawrence J. Drennan '53, Michael A. Mingoelli '70, James F. Nagle '89, Lynn M. Page '91, John M. Riley '82 and Elizabeth F. Zima '84.

The Board of Directors is the volunteer governing body of the Alumni Association which directs programs and services for Boston College's 115,894 alumni world wide. The Boston College Alumni Association is the largest Catholic university alumni association in the world.





PROGRAMS & EVENTS

CAREER WORKSHOPS**Using the Internet in Your Job Search**

Tue., Oct. 22, 7-9 p.m.

If you are in a job search or intend to launch one in the near future, *don't miss this program!* This workshop will teach you how to improve your job search productivity through effective use of the Internet. You don't need to be a computer "techie"! Whether or not you have experience with computers, this presentation will demystify the Internet and show you short cuts and resources which will expedite your job search. To register, call the Alumni Association at 1-800-669-8430.

Young Alumni Career Networking Night, "Network your way to a New Job"

Tue., Nov. 19, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Are you thinking about making your first job move since graduation? Wondering where to start exploring your options? Whether or not you are currently in a job search, this event can help you learn the fine art of networking in a professional setting. Geared toward alumni 1-10 years out, we'll discuss the right and wrong ways to network, how to make the most of your meetings with people, and how to connect with fellow alumni. Bring your business cards! Register by calling the Alumni Association at 1-800-669-8430.

Networking Night in High Tech

Tue., Dec. 10, 7-9 p.m.

Meet alumni who work in the high tech/computer field to exchange advice, contacts, industry trends and professional ideas. Please bring business cards and questions. Refreshments will be available. To register, call the Alumni Association at 1-800-669-8430.

CONTINUING LEARNING**BC Museum of Art**

A three-part lecture series and special alumni tour surrounding the exhibit *JMW Turner and the Romantic Vision of the Holy Land and the Bible*. The tour will take place Sun., Oct. 20 at 2:30 p.m. at the Museum, with a wine and cheese reception following. The cost is \$10 per person. The lectures will take place on the three successive Sundays: Oct. 27, "The Significance of the Architectural Monuments of the Holy Land for Three Faiths;" Nov. 3, "Jerusalem and the Holy Land in the American Consciousness and American Politics;" and Nov. 10, "The Role of Jerusalem and the Holy Land as the Center for Three Faiths." All the lectures are free and will take place in Robsham Theater from 2:30-5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-669-8430 to register for the tour and any of the lectures.

Women's Spirituality: A Celebration

Sat., Oct. 5, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

What role does spirituality play in the lives of today's women? How does it shape and change her many roles—wife, mother, daughter, sister, career person? Join us as we consider these questions, and explore the tremendous resource spirituality provides for movement toward personal wholeness—healing of our pains and as well as celebrating our joys. This workshop will be led by Sister Maryanne Confoy, RSC, associate professor of theology at Boston College's Institute of Religious Education and Pastoral Ministry, and Melissa Kelley, a Boston College Chaplain.

Cost is \$15 and includes lunch. Register by calling the Alumni Association at 1-800-669-8430.

The Institute For Learning in Retirement (ILR)

ILR is a program of peer learning for retired and semi-retired persons. These popular courses include music, art, literature, history, and current events. Tuition is \$125 per semester for one course and \$150 per semester for two courses. Classes take place at Alumni House during the day and are open to all. Fall semester begins September 9. Call (617) 552-2950 for more info.

PUBLICATIONS**1995 Alumni Directory**

A handsome, hardcover volume and handy reference tool that organizes alumni three different ways: alphabetically, by class and geographically. The geographic section also includes alumni job fields, making it a helpful networking tool. Cost is \$39.95 plus shipping and handling. Call 1-800-375-2586 to order.

Eagle Action!

An independent magazine devoted exclusively to Boston College athletics, featuring schedules, recruiting news, alumni updates and more. All 33 intercollegiate sports programs are covered. For subscription rates and info., call 1-800-883-7024.

SPIRITUAL**IREPM**

The Institute of Religious Education and Pastoral Ministry presents: *Awakening Soul: The Search for Spirit in American Culture* with John Shea, Oct. 4-5, Nov. 1-2 and Nov. 22-23; and at the Jesuit Center for Spiritual Growth in Wernersville, PA, *Spiritual Foundations for Religious Education and Pastoral Ministry* with Tom Groome, Sept. 27-28 and Nov. 15-16. Each session of these weekends focuses on a different topic and fulfills one credit requirement. Continuing ed. op-

portunities include *Catholic Christians for the New Millennium*, Sept. 11 and 25, Oct. 9 and 23, and Nov. 6 and 20; *Youth Ministry in the Parish and Beyond*, Oct. 2, 16, and 30; *Family Life and Liturgy*, Sept. 21; *Learning Styles and the Ministry of Supervision*, Nov. 2; and *The Contemporary Church: Identity, Community, Mission*, Dec. 7. For further info., call 1-800-487-1167.

Marriage Preparation

The Chaplain's Office sponsors this program for engaged couples, combining presentations from married couples with conversation and reflection among participants. Dates for the 1997 seminars are Jan. 22, 25 and 26; and April 2, 5 and 6. To register, call the Chaplain's Office at (617) 552-3475.

THEATER**Robsham Theater**

Performances this fall include *Our Country's Good*, Oct. 10-13; *Steel Magnolias*, Nov. 21-24; and *Dancer's Christmas*, Dec. 12-15. Call the box office at 552-4800 to order tickets.

TRAVEL

The Alumni Association is sponsoring four exciting trips this academic year to destinations overseas and in the US. Call the Alumni Office at 1-800-669-8430 for a list of trips and to receive detailed brochures.

VOLUNTEERISM**Mother Caroline Academy**

Get involved with other enthusiastic alumnae through Mother Caroline Academy, a middle school for girls in Dorchester. Now in its third year, this program plans activities for students on a bi-monthly basis and is looking to expand this year to include tutoring and mentoring. For further info., call 1-800-669-8430.

Reunion '96

Reunion '96 brought alumni back to the Heights May 17-19 for the three R's—remembering, reacquainting and reminiscing. Another record crowd of alumni, family and friends—nearly 4,000—came to campus for three fun-filled days of activities.

Highlights included Alumni Night at Symphony Hall on Friday, the all-alumni Chestnut Hill Grill on Saturday, and the re-introduction of the Alumni Parade of Classes—last presented in 1965. Of course, Reunion classes—the '46 Golden Eagles, '51, '56, '61, '66, the '71 Silver Jubilarians, '76, '81, '86 and '91—marked their anniversaries with special celebrations Saturday evening.

Alumni from non-reunion classes took part in Alumni Day on Saturday, featuring five Continuing Learning programs—everything from tours of the BC Museum of Art to a presentation on the Internet.

Plans are already underway for Reunion '97, which will be held May 16-18, 1997.



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It is with a heavy heart that I report the recent death of Mrs. Mildred Phelan, wife of our classmate **Frank Phelan**. Mildred graduated from Emmanuel College in 1936. She often attended the mini-reunions of our class that used to be held in Palm Beach every February. We shall long cherish the memory of her high ideals, her faith in sound education, her kindly courtesy, her rewarding friendliness, and the strength and earnestness of her character. Those of us who were privileged to know her will retain a vivid memory of a woman who won our high admiration and affection. • I missed **Ed Conley** at the Thanksgiving Day football game between BC High and Catholic Memorial. For years he has been a regular attendee. • **John Healey** is in a nursing home in Lake Worth, FL. • **Gene Plociennik** now resides in Providence, RI.

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The horrible winter of '95-'96 was no friend to the Class of 1930. In

addition to **Father Joe Gough** and **Dr. Garrett Sullivan**, we also lost **Dr. Frank Higgins**. Frank died early in February at St. Patrick's Manor, but I did not hear of it until my previous column notes had gone to press. Frank practiced medicine in Boston and Brookline. • I also learned of the death of Mrs. Mary Hoppe, widow of **Ted Hoppe**. Mary and Ted belonged to a small group which included Mary and **John Corkery**, Mary and **John Grandfield**, Helen and **John Dwyer**, and others whose names I have forgotten. This group held the class together in the early days when most of us were trying to find our places in the "real world" after leaving college or graduate school. They deserve much credit and a sincere vote of thanks for their efforts on behalf of the class. *Requiescant in Pace*. • Just as this went to press, I received a call from the wife of **Jim McGann**, who also passed away during the winter. May his soul rest in peace. • While Father Monan's retirement is no longer news, I feel that the Class of 1930, individually and collectively, takes increased pride and pleasure in the development of BC during his term of office. We congratulate Father Monan for his accomplishments and wish him all success in the future. *Ad multos annos*.

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With sadness, we report the deaths of two of our classmates: **Dr. Bernard F. Trum** of Sherborn and **Charles Taylor** of Watertown. Dr. Bernie died on May 26th. He is survived by his wife Peg, sons Michael and John, and daughters Margaret and Elizabeth. He retired from the Army as a colonel and became associated with Harvard Medical School in the field of animal research and development. His work was so highly regarded that the school honored him by dedicating a building in his name. Charlie Taylor we recognize as our most loyal ex-member. He transferred to MIT after our sophomore year; however, he remained ever close to Boston College and attended class functions down through the years. He retired from

the US Department of Treasury. Our sympathy and prayers are extended to both the Trum and Taylor families. • Commencement Day 1996, our 65th anniversary, was a bit special for the Crosby family: our grandson, Neil Cronin Deininger, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Adding to the enjoyment of the occasion was our chance meeting with James and Susan Bradley, son and daughter-in-law of **Joe Bradley**, who, along with their son Joe, were attending the graduation of their daughter Mary. Mary received her master's degree from the School of Nursing and will be pursuing a career as a nurse practitioner. • I recently received in my mail two books authored by **Don MacDonald**: *My Buttons Are In The Way* (with apologies to Bill Mauldin), an infantry soldier's diary of war-time experience on the Anzio Beachhead in 1944; and *Uncle Sam Was My Travel Agent*, memories of World War II. To properly characterize the books, it must be understood that Don was inducted into the Army in 1943 and, although having a master's in education from Harvard and many years' teaching experience, was somehow or other assigned to the 45th Infantry Division as an infantry soldier. Shortly thereafter, the 45th was given the mission of securing a beachhead at Anzio, Italy. It was a most hazardous battle with astounding casualties. Don experienced the terrors and hardship of four months of battlefield conditions and to read his diary is most exciting. His second book is also quite enjoyable and is a history of the winding down of World War II to V-E Day, finally ending with a joyous reunion with his wife Mary and the entire MacDonald family. • **John Gill** has moved from St. Patrick's in Framingham to be nearer his daughter. He is now residing at 765 West Center Street, W. Bridgewater, MA 02379. • As we "close ranks," we urgently request news from you to keep the lines of communication alive.

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Fran Curtin did a fine job in developing a good turnout for Laetare

Sunday last March. Attendees included Nancy and **Peter Quinn**, Mary and **Ed Hurley**, Jo and Fran Curtin, Ellen and **Ed Driscoll**, Louise and **Fred Meier**, **Jerry Kelly**, **Andy Spognardi** and **Louis DeAngelis**. • By the time you read this, we will have enjoyed our class reunion with the Class of 1931. At this writing, I was hoping that my robotized hip replacement would allow me to attend the June 7 event.

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Jean Kaplan wrote to inform us that her father, **Mario J. Romano**, recently passed away. He had been on the staff of Plymouth High School for 40 years, serving as their athletic director until his retirement in 1975. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Mario's wife Betty; son Peter of Holland, MI; daughters Reeta Horton of Andover and Jean Kaplan of Ramsey, NJ; and his seven grandchildren. He will be missed. • I am also sorry to report the death of Mary Brennan, dear wife of classmate **Joe Brennan**. Mary had been ill for a long time, yet Joe writes that her passing on January 14 still came as "a surprise and shock." They would have celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary this past June. Mary leaves Joe and their six children—Peter, Colin, Mario, Nicholas, Ainslie and Patrick '78. Our sympathy and prayers to Joe and his family.

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William B. Hickey, the youngest man in our class, died this past spring, leaving his wife, Marjorie V. and a daughter, Marjorie V. Jr. Bill was on the faculty of BC for more than 40 years. Along with his teaching duties, he held numerous elective and appointive offices in Brookline, serving at one time as chairman of the school committee, chairman of the parks commission and registrar of voters. He maintained a law office in

Dedham. Bill held a combat commission in World War II and was awarded a Bronze Star. He was considered by friends as something of a Renaissance Man, who gave up semi-pro baseball in his maturity for golf. • **Ted Marier's** granddaughter, Rebecca Marier, this year made history as a cadet at West Point. She was graduated first in the class of 980 cadets, the first woman to so achieve. One result is a scholarship for her at Harvard Medical School where she is now enrolled. Rebecca was the subject of a recent feature story in the *Boston Globe*. Her father is Dr. Robert Marier, head of the medical school at Louisiana State University in New Orleans. Robert's twin brother, Vincent, became a doctor this year, taking a PhD in computer science at the age of 53. Ted, meanwhile, still teaching at Catholic University, mounted a major musical program for the Smithsonian Institution. • **Alphonse B. Ike Ezmun**t writes from FL that all is well, and looks forward to another trip north.

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To begin, we want to apologize to the many class members who eagerly came forward to join our volleyball team for a game on Class Day. Unfortunately, we couldn't find another class from our era that could field a team. Perhaps it's just as well, because a couple of the volunteers are on disability pensions from the state and might have attracted the attention of the *Boston Globe* Spotlight Team. • Since the last issue, we have gone looking for classmates who have been out of touch for a long time. **Frank Sullivan** had a good excuse for not responding to our letter of last fall: he was having triple by-pass surgery. Happily, it was a success and he and Edna are dividing their time between Cape Cod and Myrtle Beach. Many of us knew that Frank had an outstanding career in the Boston Fire Department, rising to the rank of District Chief, but few of us were aware that he started out in the rug business and was good to his classmates. When Rita and **John Griffin** were furnishing their first house, he sold them five oriental rugs. They used the rugs for 25 years and sold them to another dealer at a

profit! Frank gave up the rug business, mostly because he grew tired of riding camels across those hot deserts in search of traders. • We caught up with **Paul Moynihan** and his wife Alice in Salt Lake City. The story Alice tells sounds like a romantic movie. It starts with the closing months of World War II. Paul was a lieutenant in a mechanized cavalry division in the Battle of the Bulge. His unit pierced too far through the German lines and was cut off from their support. Paul was a prisoner of war for the last six months of the war, but was one of the first Americans to enter Paris after the German surrender. Meanwhile, Alice had left the confines of her native Salt Lake City for the excitement of San Francisco. Paul, back from the service, met her on a holiday in Sun Valley. They were married shortly afterward in San Francisco. Alice testifies to the happiness of their life together when she says, "The best thing about Paul is his wonderful sense of humor." • Remember **Al Luppi** from Somerville? He managed to play football for four years despite the afternoon lab demands of the pre-med program. He has spent his professional life as a physician in the Los Angeles area. The unusual energy that distinguished him as a student has made him successful in a number of medical areas—family doctor, surgeon, and school physician. He has a wonderful family: wife Helen, who was a leader in church and civic affairs, four sons, and an adopted daughter. Two of his sons are doctors, one a lawyer, and one a college professor. He is most grateful to Boston College for giving him a love of great literature. He not only recites Shakespeare, Milton, and Steve Fleming at the slightest provocation, but also writes good poetry—some of which has been published. Unfortunately, Helen died six years ago and Al is still devastated by his loss; she was "the center of his life." • **Walter Sullivan** was given a trial assignment as class correspondent for the Laetare Sunday gathering and, with the help of his wife Katie, son Bob '63 and Bob's wife Barbara '63, did an excellent job. The usual faithful were in attendance. **Bill Fitzsimons** reported that as of that date he had 14 grandchildren (six daughters), which puts him in the running for classmate with the most progeny. Bill is still practicing law on a limited basis. **Dib DeStefano** may be the most active

member of the class. Living in Scituate, he is heavily into boats: cruising, rescuing sailors in distress, checking the neighbors' lobster pots, and repairing engines. **Bill Hannan**, despite the massive changes in highway configuration in eastern Massachusetts, was still able to find his way to the Heights! He's our candidate for most faithful alumnus in all the Attleboros—North and South Attleboro, as well as Attleboro proper. **Ray Perry** from Salem is still in great shape (see the previous edition of *BCM* for further details). **Dan Holland**, our valued president, sends this message: "Now in the 10th month of recovery from brain surgery and doing well, thanks to divine intervention, support of medical team, therapists, family (great patience), and friends." **Bill Gallagher** brought his daughter Stacey Tully '82, who is VP of Gulf Resources and very much involved in energy-related fields. **Tom Ryan** came with his wife Nancy. After a successful career of college teaching, he has a happy family of four children—two daughters and two sons—and four grandchildren. His hobby, an affordable one, is planning exciting travel adventures. He emphasized "planning." • Ending on a sad note, we have four deaths to report. **Chick Featherstone** died Sept. 1, 1995. The news from California was late in arriving. Chick was probably the best all-around athlete in the class. Not only was he capable in football, baseball and hockey, but he was also captain and number one player on the golf team. He devoted his life to the United States Navy and attained the high rank of captain. • **Frank McLaughlin** died Feb. 16. He was always active in class politics and social affairs. After a lengthy career with GTE, he had retired with his wife Enid to Sewell, NJ. Frank leaves a family of three sons, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. • **Dan Carney's** death on March 19 was reported by **Dick Cuniff**, a fellow resident of the Washington area. Dan had enjoyed a distinguished career as chief legal counsel for the Court of Military Appeals. • **Gerry West**, a quiet member of the class but valued friend to those who knew him, died Dec. 1, 1995. He had worked for many years for the Mack Truck Co., managing their offices in Worcester and Boston. His wife, Bertha, was the center of his life.

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Our 60th reunion luncheon in June was very successful. With 25 classmates plus wives, widows and friends, a total of 50 enjoyed the day. **Bishop Larry Riley** and **Msgr. John Speed Carroll** concelebrated our Anniversary Mass, with **Joe Keating** and **Tom Mahoney** giving the readings. After a social hour, **Brendon Shea** opened the luncheon by welcoming everyone. Joe Keating then called on **Jack McLaughlin** to introduce the six widows, who we were pleased to have with us: Marie Finn, Alice Gordon, Virginia Iannella, Ursula Mahoney, Margaret Peg McCarthy, and Terri Provinzano. **Al Burgoyne** was then called on to introduce Father Monan, who had kindly agreed to speak to us. Father briefly reviewed his time at BC, brought us up to date on the status of the College, and told us where it was headed in the next few years. We are very grateful to Father Monan for coming to join us, and to John Wissler, Executive Director of the Alumni Association, who brought the greetings of the Alumni Office. Msgr. Carroll said grace to begin the meal, during which time **Frank Hilbrunner** reported on the status of the Bishop Lawrence J. Riley Scholarship Fund. The highlight of the luncheon was when Joe Keating, speaking on behalf of the class, presented a gift of appreciation to Bishop Larry Riley, who in so many ways and at so many times over the years, has been so concerned and helpful to classmates and classmates' families—and, he has always been No. 1 attendee at our annual luncheons. Again, Larry, on behalf of all of us, thank you, and please continue to keep us all in your prayers. The Bishop said benediction to conclude the luncheon. During the social hour and the luncheon, we were entertained by an accordion player, thanks to Jack McLaughlin. At the conclusion of the get-together, each one was presented with an appropriate memento of the 60th anniversary by the Alumni Office which also will be sent to all classmates unable to attend. Prior to the start of the social hour, a class picture was taken, along with a second picture of all in attendance. Thanks to the

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Alumni Office, copies of the photos will be sent to all classmates and widows who were there. In addition to the widows mentioned, the following were at the luncheon: Gerry and Gracie Burke, Al and Julie Burgoyne, Msgr. John Speed Carroll, Bob and Rita Condon, Dan Courtney and daughter Maureen, Randy and Marion Cournoyer, Jim Dalton, Frank and Marion DeLear, Dennis and Madeline Dooley, John and Helen Fahey, John and Virginia Haggerty, Steve Hart, Frank and Dorothy Hilbrunner, Joe and Mary Keating, Joe Killion, Bernie and Mary Kelley, Frank Mahoney, George Mahoney, Tom and Phyllis Mahoney, John and Gerry McLaughlin, Bishop Lawrence Riley, Bill and Helen Ryan, Charlie and Kay Sampson (X2!), and Brendon and Mary Shea. **Jim Jack Dalton** came the farthest, from Sun Valley, CA, and was given a BC coffee mug. Again, our sincere thanks to Brendon and Mary Shea and to Joanne Goggins of the Alumni Office for all they did to make the day a memorable one. Altogether we heard from over 50 classmates, and I'll have lots of news items to pass on in future columns. While Jim Dalton came the farthest, the farthest answer came from **Father Bob Sullivan** in the Philippines. • To update the class: We started off 403 strong in 1932, 250 strong graduated in 1936, and today 84 strong are living. *Deo Gratias!* • Those attending Laetare Sunday were **Steve Hart**, Jack McLaughlin and his wife Gerry, and **Joe Killion** with his son and daughter-in-law. **Tom Mahoney** "on-the-road-again," was at a conference on aging in Turkey in April, following which he addressed the MIT Alumni Club in London. • Sorry to have to report that the following classmates died recently: John DiNapoli, Henry Gartland, John Geary, Francis Hart, and Stan Milus (Miluskewicz). All of them, along with other classmates who died this past year, were remembered at the Mass. **Joe Clougherty's** wife, Fran, who always graced our luncheons, died in April. Please remember them and their families in your prayers. • And, to close on a light note, **Brent Gordon's** third great-grandchild was christened by an archbishop at the Vatican in Jan. Nice!

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Our own "baron," **Rev. Fred Adelmann, SJ**, who in many ways was the priest that heard all the complaints from students and alumni and was the only one that gave his sage advice to all that wanted it, was called to his eternal reward on April 1. As you may recall, Fr. Adelmann enrolled in the Jesuit order right after graduation in 1937. He was a professor of philosophy at BC for many years before heading the department. He will be missed. We extend our sympathy to his brother Jon of Norwood and sister Jane Rose of Falmouth. • On April 12, **John G. Jack Barrett** was called to join his many classmates in heaven's BC Club. Jack was affiliated with the White Fuel Co. for many years before retiring in 1986. He was also chairman of the Wollaston Golf Club. We extend condolences to his two sons, Christopher and John, Jr. • **Vincent F. Dunfey** of Marlboro passed away on Jan. 3. He was a former professor of economics at BC. We extend to his widow Mabel and family our deepest sympathy. Vincent's first wife, Helen G. Donovan, passed away a long time ago. • **Dick O'Connell** inquired about **Tilley Ferdenzi**, and I wrote to Tilley's daughter in Virginia. Tilley is doing well in his retirement home near his daughter and is leading a good life. • Congratulations to my son Philip '64 on the graduation of his son Peter from BC on May 20. That makes three generations of DiMattia Eagles! • I must apologize to **Eric Stenhom** for not answering the lovely letter sent by his wife Alma to inquire about my wife Julia's condition. It's still the same, but I am grateful for the help I have in managing our household. Remember Julia and Audrey Gaquin in your prayers, for they can use them.

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Boston College Magazine has been recognized as one of the seven best

university magazines in the country. Ben Birnbaum and his staff are to be congratulated for this national honor. • The Good Samaritan Medical Center of Brockton (formerly Cardinal Cushing Hospital) celebrated **Rev. John Murphy's** 15 years as chaplain with a banquet at a local restaurant. Over the years, Fr. Murphy has held several administrative positions with the Holy Cross Fathers. He was also very influential in assisting Cambodian families. At the age of 70, he learned their language so that he could celebrate Mass in their native tongue. Father prayed over many sick patients; a few times, patients who had apparently died were enlivened as he anointed them. There was also a patient who asked Fr. John to pray over a foot which was to be amputated. Fr. John did so; when the man entered the operating theater for surgery, a pulse was found in his toe and happily, he kept his foot. • Since our last notes, we have lost a loyal attendee at our class reunions. **Ed Corrigan's** widow Eloyse passed away this spring. To her sons Brian and Dr. Peter, we offer our sincere sympathy. • At the '38 table for Laetare Sunday were Dot Schultz, Carolyn Bergen, **Bill Finan**, Peg and **Joe Horne**, **Paul Mulkern** and **John Castelli** with their wives, and **Tom O'Connor**. In a drawing, Joe Horne won a book written by the guest speaker, Tom O'Connor '49. • Bill Finan is planning a reunion in the fall. • Last but not least: in the preceding issue, we published the names of those who had sent in their dues and inadvertently omitted two names—Joe Horne and Frank Finnegan. Just keeping the record straight in case of audit.

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Arthur Sullivan's daughter, Paula, who has been basketball coach at Stonehill College for 25 years, has just been made athletic director. • Sorry to hear about Marie Kerr's accident and hope that she is feeling much better after a long recuperation. • Glad to hear that **Al Branca** is feeling better after his recent surgery. • Winnie and **Bill Donovan** are taking a trip to the Canadian Rockies. • **Rev. Joe Fallon, SJ**, who

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is in charge of Bellarmine House, has been busy making renovations and improvements there. • Had a nice chat with **Dave Fitzgerald's** wife, Anne, and son. She reported that Dave is in a nursing home. • Sorry to report the passing of **Don McGinnis**, who was in a Methuen nursing home. Don, who was the former principal of Lincoln Junior High School in Medford, received his MA from BU. Don is survived by three daughters and nine grandchildren. • Our sympathy goes to the family of **Al Fiore** of Arlington who passed away recently. Al was a real estate developer with A.T. Fiore and Associates in Arlington. Al is survived by his wife, Helen, and two sons. • Another classmate, **John Roddy**, has passed away. John was a "triple eagle" and served in the Pacific in the army during World War II. He was a member of the Mass. Bar Association. We extend our sympathy to his family.

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Once again the ladies of our class are hosting a special luncheon, this year to be held on Thurs., Sept. 19 at 11:30 am at the Wellesley College Club. Chair for the event is Mrs. John E. Goodman; those interested in attending should send their checks for \$11.50 to Barbara Goodman at 40 College Rd., Wellesley, MA 02181. The price includes a multi-course luncheon, tax, tips and park-

ing. It is anticipated that the usual good time will be had by all. • The class itself and their wives or widows conducted our 19th annual Mass of petition and 56th anniversary reunion on Wed., May 22. Mass was celebrated at 11 am at Holy Trinity Chapel on the Newton campus and was followed by luncheon in the library of Alumni House. Approximately 52 attendees thoroughly enjoyed this affair; Catherine and **John Foristall** served as chairs and performed their usual wonderful job. John, **Bill Joy**, **Msgr. Bill Granville** and this writer informally addressed the group. • **Rev. Frank Diskin**, CSP was one of four Massachusetts natives to celebrate his 50th year as a Paulist priest, according to the *Paulist Press*. He recounted his days in Boston with Fr. John Sheerin, as well as his work in Portland, OR and Layton, UT. He is presently stationed at St. Paul the Apostle Parish in New York. • The April 26 issue of the *Boston Globe* carried this story which I will repeat in its entirety: "*Fatigue keeps Clinton off triathlete's course.* Malden native **Jim Ward**, a career Foreign Service officer who became a world-class triathlete in retirement, was honored this week by IONA, a senior-citizen service network in Washington. Ward, 78, ran his first footrace at age 64. Last week, he won the title 'World's Greatest Athlete over 75' at the International Senior Games in Bermuda. He competes in his 140th triathlon this weekend in Tampa Bay, FL. Ward, a resident of Seminole, FL, was to jog with President Clinton on Wednesday morning, but Clinton, who turns 50 in August, begged off because of fatigue. Ward accepted the excuse with grace: 'He has a heavier compulsory workload than I do.' You may remember Jim Ward when he ran and finished the Boston Marathon in April '92 in under 5 hours. It's great to see his accomplishments are receiving the recognition they deserve! • Sorry to report the deaths of two Jesuit members of our class. **Rev. William D. Sullivan, SJ** died March 24. A professor of biology at BC since 1958, he was director of the Sonntag Institute for 30 years. Professor emeritus **Rev. Robert J. McEwen, SJ** died of a heart attack on May 16 while visiting relatives in Ireland. **John Shea**, a retired Boston police lieutenant, recently died in Ft. Myers, FL on Feb. 8. Please keep these classmates in your prayers.

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Please remember in your prayers **Paul O'Neal**, who died Oct. 18, 1995, and his wife Gertrude, who passed away Oct. 23, 1995. • Please remember **Joseph Murray**, who died Aug. 3, 1995. • The Class of '41 had an outstanding turnout at this year's Laetare Sunday. Those attending were: Virginia and **Dr. George McManama**; Madeline and **Gen. Robert Long**; Theresa and **Bob Sliney**; Mrs. Arthur Jones; Anita and **Jim Kiely**; **Rev. Edward Cowhig**; **Leonard McDermott**; Mrs. Ralph Ryan; **Dick Daley**; Evelyn and **John Hayes**; Mary Frances and **Charles O'Rourke**; **Gene Goodreault**; Rita and **George Kervan**; Madeline and **Frank Galvani**; **Nick Sottile** and his sister Mary; Mary and **Frank Hegaty**; **Joe McCafferty**; **J. Warren Heffernan**; **John Jansen**; and **Philip Elmassial**, assistant football coach. • The town of Framingham gave a well-earned salute to Frank Galvani, who was an outstanding football coach, athletic director and math teacher there. Frank was a member of the football team that played in the Cotton Bowl. • On April 28, the Alumni Association honored the Class of '41 with a theatrical performance of *The Pirates of Penzance* at Robsham Theater and an excellent dinner in the Heights Room. Those present celebrated their 55th anniversary of graduation. Forty-six classmates, wives, widows and friends enjoyed a fine afternoon. • Warren Heffernan, Joe McCafferty and Nick Sottile attended "A Legacy of Excellence," the celebration honoring Rev. J. Donald Monan. • **Len Frisoli** had a reunion with former FBI agent Ed O'Brien '48 on the Panama Canal alumni tour.

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Thanks to **Jerry Joyce** for the notes which appeared in the spring issue. • **Paul Maguire** must have looked

down with pride at the "excellent, truly outstanding performance" of his son Thomas, celebrant of this year's Laetare Sunday Mass. Thanks to **Tom Hinchey**, the class was well-represented. • **Bob Drinan** continues with a full schedule at Georgetown Law. Last summer he lectured in South Africa. I thank him for his prayers. • **Charlie Sullivan**, agonizing from knee problems which have limited his golfing, reports that **Bob Attridge** has won several senior golf tournaments in Florida. Bob is "feeling fine but growing old—slowly." Charlie is now a steady customer of Barnes & Noble. • **Clem Hasenfus** retired as professor emeritus at Rhode Island College in 1990. He died June 27, 1995 after a long and courageous struggle with multiple myeloma. Clem, past president of the BC Club of Rhode Island, was active in educational and parish organizations. To his wife Mary Frances, their daughter and two sons, our sincere sympathies. • I received a short note advising that **Bob McQuenney** had died during the first week of March. No further details. I recall Bob as being very slender. He and **Cornelius Cohan** were very close friends. One can readily understand our *Sub Turri's* reference: he "played Laurel to Cohan's Hardy." Please remember Bob in your prayers. • On March 20, our "wings on steel, a giant of a little man," **Elphege Dumond**, joined his hockey linemate **Ray Chaisson** in heaven. What a combination they were on the ice. Fishy, as he was well known, retired in 1973 after 23 years of government service; his duties were top secret. To his wife Elsie, a former tennis champion, sincere sympathies. • After serving in the Navy during World War II, **Ed McCormack** was employed at Massachusetts Institute of Technology's audit division. He retired in 1981 as auditor. He found time to serve as controller of the Mass. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and as assistant treasurer of the American Society of Arts and Sciences. He died of heart failure on April 2. Sincere sympathies to his wife Nora, their son Christopher, and their daughter Kathleen. • Please remember **Tom McDonald** in your prayers. Tom was reunited for eternity with his wife Ethel on April 19 after a long battle with cancer. To his daughter Anne and his son Robert, sincere sympathies. • We were Cathedral High School classmates

as well as good friends through our days at Boston College. **Arthur Blaisdell**, truly a gentlemen's gentleman, a devoted husband and loving father, died May 5. His wife, whom he referred to as "Sis," was waiting for him in heaven. Arthur had been issued a few patents which he humbly described as "minor." To his two sons and three daughters, our sincere sympathies. • **Louis Kuc** died May 12 after a brief illness. Louis was very active in dental circles and served as president of the St. Appolonia Guild of Catholic Dentists. To his wife Margaret and their son Frederick, sincere sympathies. • All seven, plus Joe Shea, Jim Barnicle, Martin Hansberry, Brian Sullivan, Tom Clark and Paul Salipante, were remembered at our annual memorial Mass on June 4. The Mass was concelebrated by **Dan Barrett**, **Sam Lombard**, **Joe Veneto** and **John Lawler**. **Msgr. Ken Murphy** gave the sermon. The list of those present will appear in the next issue. • The May 1 program, "A Legacy of Excellence," given in recognition of the achievements of Rev. J. Donald Monan, SJ, was a true reflection of the man it honored. The legacy has been taken up by Fr. Leahy, 25th president of Boston College. We welcome him. • Congratulations to Dan Barrett, **Frank Beksha**, **Delphis Duquette**, Sam Lombard and Joe Veneto on the celebration of their golden anniversaries as priests. • Rita and **Frank Mahoney** celebrated 50 years together on June 1. • Peggy and **Amby Claus** celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on June 5. A family dinner was held at the Ritz Carlton on June 1. On July 18, Amby and Peggy embarked on a trip through Russia, Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden. • Joan and **Jack McMahon** have purchased a condominium in Magnolia, where they will spend their summers. • We warmly welcome the Class of '46 as our newest Golden Eagles.

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Once again, my sincere thanks to class historian **Ernie Santosuosso** for providing the last column while we were enjoying the Florida sunshine. • Sadly, as we begin this col-

umn, our condolences are extended to the family of **Charles Masterson**, who died in May after a long illness. • Notes from all over: just got word that **Rev. Bill Commane** retired as pastor of St. Margaret's in Saugus and will live in the family home. With some time on his hands now, he hopes to improve his 14 handicap. • In the May 18/19 issue of the *Patriot Ledger*, there was a fine article about **Msgr. Bob McNeill** and his work as pastor of St. Joseph's in Kingston. • Speaking of priests, the April 19 issue of the *Pilot* carried an article about those in the archdiocese who are celebrating their 50th anniversaries of ordination. Among them are these former members of the Class of '43: Revs. Bob Bryson, Joe LaRaia, Dan Cronin, Ed Gillis, Joe Lukas and Thaddeus Saja. Our congratulations to all! • From California, **Ed O'Sullivan** reports he has moved back to Houston, TX. • From the *Norwood Times* we've learned that **Dr. John Kelly**, a member of the first graduating class at St. Catherine's, has been honored as the first person to receive the National Catholic Education Association's Distinguished Graduate Award. Dr. Kelly served on the Governor's Advisory Council on Alcoholism, based on his work as executive director of the alcohol rehabilitation program he established at the Norwood Hospital. • **Rev. Tom Heath** informs us he has a new box number in Kenya: PO Box 2566, Kisumu, Kenya. Fr. Tom was set for a short leave home this spring, but will be returning to Kenya in August as assistant novice master. • Thanks to Dr. Gene Laforet '44, we learned that St. John's Hospital in Detroit has named their memorial ethics conference in honor of **Dr. Joe Grady**, chief of surgery for over 30 years prior to his death in 1991. • Once again, the class thanks **Ed Moloney** for his interest and generous extra support of the annual theater party and golf day. • From Virginia, **Bill Amshey** notes he's taking good care of wife Betty following her hip replacement and therapy. • From Florida, **Bob Butler** reports he's on the mend after a "ticker" set-back; he sees **Mike Holovak** frequently for golf and poker. • In a recent note from **Tom Meagher**, we learned that **Bob DeGiacomo** was called from retirement and is now hearing cases as a federal magistrate in Albuquerque, NM. • **John Sarjeant** and his wife

Pat celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last February, with Mary (John's sister) and **Ed McEnroe** in attendance. Their anniversary Mass was celebrated by John's brother, Fr. Francis Sarjeant '60. • Thanks to **Paul Healy** for his extra support of class dues. • Congratulations to **Bernie Henken**, who became a new grandfather last December. Bernie has been active in the interfaith movement, delivering sermons—at both St. Mary's and Church of the Incarnation in Melrose—on "Religion at the Crossroads." • As a result of the class survey, a vast majority opted for a luncheon event in place of our annual Fall Festival. Your committee will meet soon to discuss arrangements. Ernie Santosuosso voted: "Neither; let's have a beer party at Myopia Hunt Club!" • A future column will have news about our Golf Wing Ding at the Charles River Country Club. • Lest we forget, many thanks again to **Eddie O'Connor** on another successful theater party. • Reminder: class dues still payable . . . please keep in touch!

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Congratulations to Deacon **Joseph L. Delaney** of Westwood, who was awarded one of the Alumni Association's 1996 Awards of Excellence in Religion on May 10 at the Robsham Theater. Joe was ordained a permanent deacon in May of 1976, a member of the first class after the restoration of the permanent diaconate. His ministry includes baptisms, weddings, funerals, wakes and gravesides, preaching and assisting at Mass. Joe had pleasant memories of his election to and attendance at the Archdiocesan Synod and Archdiocesan Pastoral Council. After Navy discharge in 1946, Joe returned to Connecticut where he was a veterans' field representative and radio commentator. He then returned to BC as assistant registrar, eventually becoming assistant to placement director George Donaldson. In 1952, Joe went to work for Howard Johnson's, with various duties in personnel, advertising, sales promotion and public relations. In 1966, he transferred to Boston as the national manager of

Howard Johnson's outdoor advertising, remaining in this capacity until 1976. Joe is married to Patricia Beatty (Emmanuel '44); they have three children and ten grandchildren. Joe is the fifth member of our class to receive one of these prestigious Alumni Awards. Previous honorees include Jim Dowd in commerce, 1975; **Msgr. Joe Alves** in public service, 1980; **Dr. Don White** in education, 1989; and **Dr. Gene Laforet** in medicine, 1991. • **Msgr. William H. Roche**, Holy Cross Cathedral's parochial vicar, was granted senior priest/retirement status on May 1. He will continue to live at the Cathedral rectory, where he has served the past 25 years. A Woburn native, Msgr. Roche saw service in the army. He was ordained to the priesthood on May 3, 1950 and, after a short time at St. Mary's in Chelmsford, began a 20-year assignment at the Catholic Boys' Center, which housed up to 40 emotionally disturbed adolescents. He was assistant director for nine years and director for eleven. In 1971, Msgr. Roche was assigned to the Cathedral, where he works with the elderly and homeless. In 1994, he was honored by his peers as an example of "Priests At Their Best" for his dedication to helping the poor, the shut-ins and the homeless. • **Dr. Ed Thomas's** son Dr. Mike Thomas, who has his dental practice in Abington, has been elected to a 3-year term on the Abington Board of Health. Congratulations! • **Tom Patten** and his wife Ruth were looking forward to the summer after a number of medical problems during the winter. • We had another good turnout for Laetare Sunday, with a great speaker in Thomas H. O'Connor '49 and a nice Irish motif (the date was March 17). Attending were: Megs & **Jim Dowd**; Betty and **Phil O'Connell**; Dorothy and **J. Paul Sheehan**; Charlotte and **Jim McSorley**; Barbara and **Leo Wilson**; Eileen and **John O'Connor**; Frances and **Bill Daly**; **Paul Dunn**; our '44 chairman **Tom Donelan** and his son Dr. Mark '70; and **Frank Doherty** with 14 of his family. • Our sympathy to **Tom Donelan** and his family on the death of Tom's wife Claire after a long illness.

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The sympathy of the class is extended to the family of **Carl Galante**, who passed away suddenly on March 27. Carl is survived by his wife Phylliss; two sons, Carl, Jr. and Joseph; and two grandchildren, Christine and Victoria. Carl was a very active member of our class and the first one to answer any correspondence that he received. He never missed a class event, including our Golden Eagle weekend. • **Paul Ryder** writes that **Paul O'Sullivan** died in April. Our sympathy is extended to his wife Joyce and her family. • Eve and **Dave Carey** are just back from visiting their daughter, who is a physician in Anchorage, AK. • Congratulations to **Paul Paget**, who received the Alumni Association's 1996 Award of Excellence in Commerce. Paul is CEO and president of the Swan Boats, Inc. His wife and their family attended the ceremony, along with classmates Curry, Loftus, Rodgers, McCarthy, Cornyn, Campbell and Sorgi. • Miriam and **Don McMorro** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 23 with a Mass of thanksgiving and a dinner-dance. • Peg and **Bud Curry** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 2 with Mass at St. Ann's Church in Wayland, celebrated by Peg's brother **Rev. Pat Kelly**. A reception followed at the Woodland Golf Club in Auburndale. • The "legends" started the golf season at Hatherly Golf Club, hosted by **Bill Cornyn**. Unfortunately, we got rained out after 12 holes, but the 19th was enjoyed by all. **Tom Moran** joined us all the way from Texas. Classmates Hogan, McCarthy, Kineavy, Devlin, Condon, Burns and McCready also played in our first golf event. • On May 1, I attended the celebration of Rev. J. Donald Monan's retirement held in Conte Forum. Close to three thousand students, friends, faculty and his family attended this "Legacy of Excellence" presentation. In 1972, when Fr. Monan took over as president of Boston College, our endowment was just \$5 million; it is now over \$550 million. In 1972, there were 7286 undergraduate applications; in 1996,

there were 16,680—2200 students were accepted without using the waiting list. Under Fr. Monan's leadership, Boston College transformed itself from a financially limited, predominantly urban community college to a prosperous, coeducational university that is counted among the nation's elite institutions of higher learning. • **Leo McGrath** is recovering from arthroscopic knee surgery and a very bad staph infection. • Did you know: **Jack Kineavy** was inducted into Boston Latin's Hall of Fame in 1990? **Charlie McCready** won the 173-yard dash at Boston Latin in 1939? **Joe Harrington** received the distinguished Flying Cross, a Chinese air medal, three battle stars and the US Air Medal? **Bill Cornyn**, **Vin Catalogna** and **Bill Hamrock** were on the BC football practice squad, running the opponents' plays? • *Boston College Magazine* has been recognized as one of the seven best university magazines in the country. The honor is one of several national awards recently won by the office of Publications and Print Marketing. Congratulations to Ben Birnbaum and his staff for all the awards they have received. • That's it for now; will talk to you again in the fall.

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I'm reporting on classmates from whom I've had no direct contact, but about whom I've received some updates. • **Dr. Thomas Monahan** has a practice as an internist and has been in Roxbury for some time. • **Gerard F. Donovan** is retired from guidance counseling and lives in Plymouth. • **Charles Alexander** has a law practice in Bethesda, MD. • **Dr. Robert Clancy** is retired from his practice and lives on the Cape. • **Paul Cummings** has been associated with the film industry in California as an attorney. • **Thomas J.**

Robinson is retired from the FBI and was last reported living in California. • **William Wall** is among those retired and is contributing to the fear that the Cape might sink due to overpopulation. • **Atty. Jim Barrett** enjoys his career in the investment field in Houston, TX. • **John J. Callahan** of Lynn is retired from an administrative position with the Mass. Dept. of Mental Health. • Last word was that **Robert Cronin** makes his home in Princeton, NJ. • **Dr. Bill Downey** whizzed through two years with the class, entered Harvard Medical School and must be one of the youngest to have earned a medical degree. He had a practice in Fall River before retiring to Florida. • **Henry Francis** continues to head up the American Contract Bridge League in Memphis, TN. • **Richard Medley** is among those calling Florida home. • Sorry to report the deaths of **Paul O'Sullivan**, a long-time resident of Greenwich, CT, and **John F. Buckley** of Andover. • **John J. Buckley** is retired from the Boston public schools and lives in Whitman.

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We are at a loss for words to adequately express our deep sorrow over the death of our class president, **Joe Herbert**. Joe passed away on April 5 in his Needham home at the age of 73. He was one of the most active members of our class and had served as class VP prior to taking over the presidency. Joe was well-known throughout the food industry; he received the Executive of the Year award from the Mass. Restaurant Association in 1989 and was inducted into the Mass. Hospitality Hall of Fame in 1995. Joe founded Taylor Freezer in 1970 and served as its president. Taylor remains a family business operated by his sons and daughters. Joe's wonderful wife Eve requested that donations in Joe's memory be made to the Class of 1948—a most unusual and wonderful tribute to her husband, a loyal, dedicated and devoted son of Boston College. To Eve, his daughters Deborah and Patricia, and his sons Edward, Michael and Timothy, Joe's classmates extend their heartfelt

sympathy. Our good friend will be missed but not forgotten. • **Paul Lannon** reports that his daughter Kim, a graduate of the College of William and Mary, is assistant women's lacrosse coach at BC. The Lannon Chapel at St. Ignatius Church is named in memory of Paul's brother and former pastor, Rev. Thomas M. Lannon, SJ. Paul recently visited with **Fred Callahan**, a retired professor from Lehman College in the Bronx, NY. Paul has also just returned from a trip through Europe, where he attended the anniversary of the head of the Maryknoll order in Rome. • Our capable and competent treasurer, **Tim Buckley**, wants all classmates to know that our fiscal year is ending and only 38% of the class has paid their dues. Before you forget, why not sit right down and write your check for \$25 and send it to Tim at 15 Standish Rd., Wayland, MA 01778. Tim's beloved wife Margaret is very ill; please remember her in your prayers. • **Jim Calabrese** called over 60 classmates and sent a class letter to remind them of Laetare Sunday, held on March 17. Our good friend, author Tom O'Connor '49, was the main speaker and gave a marvelous talk. We're most grateful to Jim for chairing this successful event. • On Sunday, April 28, we enjoyed a great day of camaraderie and good fellowship, beginning with Mass in the library of Alumni House celebrated by Rev. Paul Messer, SJ, professor of English at the Heights. Following was a social and delicious lunch served in the newly-redecorated dining room. We then retired to the Robsham Theater, where we saw a wonderful production of *Pirates of Penzance*. This event was co-chaired by **Warren Watson** and **Paul Ryan**, who did a great job. Warren was only out of the hospital a few days—he had been battling a bout of pneumonia—and Paul had been incapacitated with an arm injury. Despite their problems, Warren and Paul put together a great day for classmates and spouses who were able to attend, including Gene Blackwell (up from Connecticut), Al DeVito, Warren Watson, Paul Morin, Paul Waters, Jim Calabrese, Joe Donahue (up from Centerville) and Bill Melville. • We were saddened to learn of the death of **Walter Mordarski** of Wallingford, CT, who died unexpectedly Nov. 16, 1995 at the Veterans' Memorial Medical Center in Meriden, CT. For 27 years,

Walter was a nuclear engineer with Combustion Engineering, Inc. He was also a member of many religious and civic organizations. Besides his wife Grace, Walter leaves three sons and two daughters. To them, the class extends sincere condolences.

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Those who attended the Laetare Sunday breakfast were treated to a wonderful talk by **Dr. Tom O'Connor** who has authored several excellent books on the history of Boston. • **Rev. Bill Burckhart**, who served as the first director of the permanent diaconate, spoke at the 20th anniversary of their ordination to the permanent diaconate, held on May 22. • Our belated condolences are offered to the family of **Walter McNally** who passed away in Sept. '95. • **Bill Flaherty** submitted the following report on the class golf tournament held at the Wayland Country Club — "On Fri., May 24, at Wayland Country Club, the annual Class of '49 golf tournament was held. Fourteen members of the class and four wives took to the fairways with high hopes and unlimited ambition. The weather was perfect. Dr. Mary Dowd, Dot McQuillan, Eileen Flaherty and Mary Murphy led the distaff side onto the first tee at 1:30 pm. We are happy to report that Eileen Flaherty, posting a score just slightly lower than Dot McQuillan and Mary Murphy, was the winner. Mary Dowd, with her cavalier approach to the game, had the highest score, not only of the day, but of the past seven seasons at Wayland C.C.—or at least that was what the pro stated. Following the women, all 14 men proceeded to attack the course. **Fran Dolan**, **Ed Murphy**, **Ernie Ciampa** and **John Carney** were early leaders on the scoreboard, but the heat of the day and old age began to show about halfway down the first fairway. **Rev. Charlie McCoy**, along with **Hank Barry**, **Dick Devlin** and class president **Bill McCool** were all a big disappointment. All touted as players to watch this year, they faded into the crowd very early in the tournament. **John Brosnahan**, all the way from Virginia just for this golf classic, came on strong, but did not

repeat the great round he had in '95 and was included in the "also ran." **John Forkin**, the Waltham whiz, made a great impression, not so much for his golf score, but for his golf attire. Wearing shorts, he was mistaken for out-of-bounds stakes on several holes. **John McQuillan** and **Joe Dowd** represented the Town of Needham quite respectably. They gave it all they had, but they didn't have enough as their scores indicated. **Bill Flaherty** finished in third place. He credited his precise iron play, his long and straight drives and the fact he kept score for his foursome. Second place was captured by a newcomer to the tournament, **John McGourty**. Fresh from Naples, FL and his hole-in-one fame, his game was extremely sharp. John proceeded to show his skills for all 18 holes and was declared the runner-up. The '96 Class of '49 golf tournament champion for the second year in a row was **John Driscoll** with an 81. He gracefully accepted the trophy with a speech timed at one hour and twenty minutes. The beautiful five-foot trophy (which can be seen on display at the Conte forum next to the Doug Flutie Heisman Award) will belong to John for the next year. **Bob Crane**, who was unable to take part due to a business conflict, has already notified the chairman that he has set his sights on dethroning John in '97. Stay tuned for further developments.

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John Madigan writes with his first letter to this magazine in 45 years. He has been living in Hawaii. John says he attended the BC-Kansas State Aloha Bowl in Honolulu, having flown there from "the big island," Hawaii. He didn't run into anyone from the class, but did get to chat with quite a few rooters from other classes. John attended the 45th reunion last spring. To his pleasure, he caught up with two old friends, **Ken Malsch** and **George Griffin**, along with their wives. Both have continued as special friends to John over the years. John will be a little closer to BC at least for half of the year—he and his wife relocated to the coast of Maine last April, where they have opened a bed and break-

fast in Sullivan, not too far from Acadia National Park. They will be there from April until early November, and hope to attend the upcoming class event on Oct. 26. John, I am looking forward to meeting you there, as I attended the Aloha Bowl myself. The seat granted me by the BC Athletic Association was an excellent one at the top of the stadium, but it was like climbing to heaven! Once I arrived, I didn't come down until game's end. If any classmates wish to contact John, his summer address is HCR #32, Box #17, Sullivan, ME 04664. • Our class president **Bob Harwood** sent me the following list of classmates who attended Laetare Sunday this year: Jack Allison, Ed Brady, Frank Carr, Paul Coleman, Larry Delaney, John Dewire, Bob Harwood, Bill McNally, George Padula, Gene Ratto, Emil Strug and John Sullivan. We had three tables and enjoyed a wonderful time; I encourage all to make an effort to attend next year's event. • Eddie, due to a comedy of errors, the material you sent me last fall for publication in this column never arrived. I trust this matter will be fully resolved before the end of '96! **Ed Brady** has been the #1 new contributor for the 22 years I have been writing this column. • I leave Oct. 26 for Hong Kong, Singapore, Bangkok and the Bridge on the River Kwai of World War II fame.

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In March, classmates in Florida had a reunion at the Key Wester Fish and Pasta House on Naples Bay.

Among those attending were Al Sexton, Joe O'Shaughnessy, Jim Mulrooney, Barry Driscoll, Jim Kenneally, Richard Ring, Lois Doyle, Charlie O'Donnell, Jim Callahan, Hugh McCarthy, Jack Donovan, Bob Kincade, Frank McDermott, Bernie O'Sullivan, Jim Leonard, Bob Doherty, Bill Doherty, Jim Maroney and Frank Torpey. Joining classmates and wives were Chris and Kim Heaslip from BC's Southwest Florida club. Chris was the guest speaker. • On St. Patrick's Day, BC alumni in the Naples area hired a trolley and were in the annual parade. They were well-received, the class was very well-represented, and no arrests were reported! • Many thanks to **Fred Meagher** for making arrangements for Laetare Sunday on St. Patrick's Day. Fred was joined by Ed Goulart, Fred O'Sullivan, George Gallant, Jim Birmingham, Joe Fagan, Frank Dooley and Bill Heavey, along with Roger Connor, Tom Dolan, Bernie Dwyer and Charlie Brown. Classmates who enjoyed the Big East cruise through the Panama Canal included Gigi and **George Hession**, Kathy and **Roger Connor**, Joan and **Jack Donovan**, Dolores and **Bob Allen** and Joan and **Art Powell**. • **Bill Bond** wrote from Bonita Springs, FL, where he now resides after retirement. Bill is enjoying golf and still writes plays. His latest one, titled "Beans, Thorns and Jars," was recently read by actors from the Naples Playhouse. • State supreme court justice **Bob Callahan** was recently named by Connecticut governor John G. Rowland to head the state's highest court. Bob, who resides in Norwalk, was made a circuit court judge in 1970, moving to the state superior court bench in 1976. He was named to the state supreme court in 1985. • Sorry to report the death of **Paul H. Fraser**, who lived in Lexington. Paul leaves his wife Alma and son Paul, Jr. • Also received word that **Joseph C. Lattuada** of Rockland has died. Joseph leaves his wife Jean; he was employed by Prudential Insurance Co. Please remember them in your prayers. • Payments for class dues are coming from everywhere. We recently heard from Arthur Dolan, Wilmington, DE; Frank Torpey, Nyack, NY; Bill Walsh, Wheaton, IL; Paul Doucette, Lawrenceville, GA; Jim Stapleton, Johnson City, TN; Tom Cullinan, Vero Beach, FL; Al Arsenaault, Clearwater, FL;

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Have you recently moved, changed jobs or gotten married? Call us to update your record so we can keep you up-to-date on friends, classmates and BC happenings. You can call (617) 552-3440 to change your record by phone, fax (617) 552-0077, e-mail infoserv@hermes.bc.edu, or drop a postcard to Boston College Information Services, More Hall 220, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167.

John Hennrikus, Las Vegas, NV; and Nick Gallinaro, Middletown, NJ. Also heard from **Larry Whelan**, who wanted to remind us of the warm weather he enjoyed this winter in Laguna Niguel, CA. **Dr. Charlie Carroll** is in McLean, VA and has switched from tennis to bowling after a heart problem. Charlie has nine grandchildren. New Englanders sending dues include Mary Lynch, Laconia, NH; Arthur Farley, Nashua, NH; Jack Leary, Hampton, NH; Paul McPherson, who is involved in mergers in the media field, Stamford, CT; and Joe McKenney, also from Stamford, CT. Local classmates are Mary Lovett; Henry Keefe; Fran Duggan; Gene McMorrow; Paul Daly; Murray Viehl; Bill Heavey; Patricia Foley; Larry Durkee; John O'Connor; Bob Freeley; Fred Tarpey; Tom Murphy; Jack Monahan; Bob Allen; Frank Dooley, who insists he's too young to retire and has started a new law practice with Bob Dolbec, a classmate at BC Law; Bill Curtin, Hingham, who retired from Commercial Union Insurance Co. after 41 years' service; and Bob Hart, who has retired from the Boston public schools and now works at Hart Travel in Arlington. From the Cape, we heard from Al Sexton, Dave Good, Phil Mitchell and Jim Smith. Also, Jim Parsons, Leeds; Jane Kordana, Adams; Frank McGonagle, Swansea; and Bill Doyle, Andover. • Plans for the 45th reunion are underway; to kick off the year, there will be a reception following the Virginia Tech game in September. In October, we will have our memorial Mass followed by a dinner; in

November, there will be a luncheon for the '52 BC and Newton College grads. Watch for details in the mail.

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The golf outing was a big success. Thirty four classmates enjoyed a bright sunny day at Wayland Country Club, and a good meal afterwards. Prizes were won by **Bob Willis** and **Leo Grace** for closest to the pin; **Jim Low** for closest to the line, and believe it or not, **Paul Coughlin** for the longest drive. **Fr. Ryan's** comment: "it's the rhythm that counts," seemed most appropriate. A number of door prizes were given to Dennis Cronin, Gerry Boyle, Maryanne Coughlin, Jack Lynch, Ed Hanlon, Bob Sullivan, Walter Corcoran, and Dr. Bill Ostrowski (sorry if I missed anyone). Strong support was voiced for a repeat performance next year. Many thanks to **Jim Willwerth** and **Fred Good** for their considerable counsel and assistance with the golf program. Special thanks to **Gerard Pyne** who drove two hours from his mountain home in NH to make his tee time. • We are going ahead with plans for our second annual memorial Mass. Fifty tickets have been reserved for the Temple game on Nov. 16, followed by Mass at the Newton Campus Chapel and dinner at Alumni House. A victory this year would be nice. More information will follow in the fall. • The grand-

children "lottery" is getting serious. Ray and **Clair Kenney** expect their son and daughter-in-law to present them with quadruplets soon. • Hope that **Joe O'Brien's** wife recovered from her operation. We missed you at the dinner, Joe. • No new retirement announcements. • Congratulations to **Fr. Larry Drënnan** on his victory in the alumni elections.

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The red crewcut has turned gray, but **Rev. John Collins, SJ's** dedication to Boston College continues. Last fall, *The Heights* ran an article titled "Father Employment," pointing out that Fr. Collins helps countless students with their careers. The article reminds us that he established the finance major, separate from accounting, in the late '40s. Fr. Collins has compiled a directory of over 4700 finance alumni to be used as a networking tool, and continues to review résumés and counsel seniors majoring in finance on a regular basis. Many of us were fortunate to have been taught by this dedicated man. • **Charles Coronella** reported from Phoenix, where he is retired CEO of the Chase Manhattan Bank of Arizona. Still keeping a full schedule, he serves on a number of boards in art, education and finance. He also golfs and hikes. Charlie has four children, two of whom are PhDs. • In what is now referred to as the "event of the year," Laetare Sunday was celebrated on March 17 at St. Ignatius Church. After breakfast in McElroy Commons, Thomas O'Connor '49, author, historian and BC professor, gave a fascinating lecture on the history of Boston's Irish. The following classmates were present: Richard Charlton, John Ford, Robert King, Thomas Lane, Ray MacPherson, William Maguire, Dan Miley, Tom Murphy, Peter Nobile, Francis Patchell, Lou

Totino, and yours truly. Professor Fred Zappala was also there. • Our "mini-reunion" was held the weekend of May 3 at Eastover Lodge in Lenox. Highlighting the trip was a visit to the Norman Rockwell Museum, bringing back memories of the *Saturday Evening Post*—such a favorite in our day. Present were Frank and Jody Bonarrigo; James and Mary Jean Coughlin; Robert and Caroline Donovan; John and Jane Ford; Thomas and Verna Lane; Lenny and Rose Matthews; George and Eleanor McCarron; Gerard and Mary McCourt; Dan and Margaret Miley; John and Nancy Moreschi; Tom and Nancy Murphy; Gerard and Alberta Natoli; Peter and Kathryn Nobile; Murray and Mary Regan; Lou and Lori Totino; Edwin and Martha Trask; and John and Frances Turco. • And the '54 hockey team scores again! **Bob Kiley**, an all-American defenseman on this outstanding team, will be inducted into the BC Hall of Fame on September 13. Congratulations, Bob!

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Horseback riding across the Andes—a most interesting way to spend part of your summer vacation, wouldn't you say? That's exactly what Marie and Owen Meegan were expecting to do. This experience was being planned by their son Daniel '95, who is in Guayaquil, Ecuador teaching English. Daniel works with Centro Educativo Nuevo Mundo, which is sponsored by the Nat'l Council of Bishops and the St. James Society. As you recall, the latter group was founded by the late Cardinal Cushing. Daniel also volunteers at a hospital which cares for lepers. Sr. Annie, who runs the hospital, has greatly improved treatments, but at a great disadvantage because there is not enough money for adequate purchase of medicines. Owen is going to get the scoop; then, perhaps, the class can help as some kind of charitable mission in the Jesuit tradition. In fact, when Daniel was asked why he was going to Ecuador, his answer reflected both the teachings and values of his parents and the Jesuit philosophy: "to give something to God for all that

has been given to me." In his spare time, Daniel, a brown belt instructor, teaches ju-jitsu. Other happenings in the Meegan household: Daniel's twin brother Matthew graduated from St. Anselm's in '95 with a degree in philosophy; Andrew has just completed his first year at North Shore Community College; and oldest son Jeffrey is a PhD candidate in computer sciences at BU. Jeffrey and his wife have given Owen and Marie their first grandchild; her name is Christine. • **Paul Sheehan** is serving as bequest chairperson of the Joseph Coolidge Shaw Society at BC. I was hoping to find out more about what's going on in his life during a brunch for the society held June 5. If you want to remember BC in your will or make a bequest of any kind, Paul is the one to help you. • I know it's the end of summer as you read this, but School of Nursing alums, please start thinking about springtime! Appointment books for 1997 are on sale, so as you start filling in important dates, make note of April 4 and 5. These are the dates for the 50th anniversary celebration for the School of Nursing. More details will follow in *Alumni News*; your invitations will arrive in early 1997. • It is with sadness that I close the column by sending sympathy to the family of **Eleanor Smith Tabeck**, who passed away on May 28. Eleanor was a veteran of the Korean War and a true leader in nursing. She received an Alumni Association Award of Excellence a few years ago. • This past month brought back many memories as I read of the death of Fr. Robert McEwen, SJ. Fr. McEwen was such a leader in the business community, but had the great ability to reach out with gentleness to students in his classes and as moderator of the Dramatics Society. Can anyone forget the Green Room, parties in Pemberton and Wenham, making scenery, the performances finally done after hours of practice? Through it all he was there, with guidance. Our community in heaven continues to build and give us more people to turn to for intercession in our lives here on earth.

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Well, our anniversary has been superbly celebrated! The official count (from campus food services) at the Saturday night get-together was 180, but door prize tickets numbered at least 196. Combined with Laetare Sunday and our theater event, I probably have enough for three columns (but don't let that keep you from sending news)! • At Laetare Sunday, we filled six tables. My notes have vanished, but I remember that Martha and **Tom Jones** came up from Virginia to attend. • In April, about 40 saw a rousing performance of Gilbert & Sullivan's *Pirates of Penzance* at BC's Robsham Theater. **Rev. Dave Gill, SJ** celebrated Mass beforehand in the Tower Building; this was followed by a buffet dinner. Marie and I sat with Bea and **Peter Colleary**, Mary and **Jerry Sullivan**, and Cohasset's Jill and **John O'Donnell**. John worked for the government in Washington, DC after getting his law degree, then joined a private law firm, and later started his own firm specializing in real estate. Jill, a Trinity College graduate, was surprised I knew she attended, until I mentioned that my aunt had been the college infirmarian. Others present included Dan and **Carolyn Kenny Foley**; **Connie Regolino**; **Ernestine Bolduc**; Louise and **Dick Toland**; **Mert and Denise McCabe Igo Thompson** (married last December); Lucille and **Jack Kennedy**; and Leo and **Claire Hoban McCormack**. Mary and **John Harney** left after the buffet for a benefit; they expected to meet **Tom Magnarelli Reis**, recently retired as Medfield superintendent of schools. • Hope everyone noticed the article by **Bob Halloran** in the spring *BCM* about his father, head tea-taster at the Salada Tea Co. in Boston, and about meeting celebrities, including Babe Ruth (with photographs to prove it)! • **Marge Callahan** sent along a report on the Now & Then Club's meeting at the Birchwood Inn at Lenox, owned by Dick and **Joan Nobis Toner**. Members include Elaine Evans Bresnahan, Louise Burke Toland, Joan Carroll Donovan, Kathy Gosselin Wingsted, Jean Riley Roche, Mary Lou Sheehan Brown, Nancy O'Hara Regan,

Connie Regolino, and Janet Ohrenberger McCarthy. They celebrated the wedding of Mert Thompson and Denise McCabe Igo, and Marge Callahan's retirement. • Now for the class reunion. On Friday, the class had a golf tourney in Cochituate; also, the Alumni Association hosted the Boston Pops concert at Symphony Hall, a pre-Pops buffet and post-Pops party in McElroy Commons. Saturday saw the Parade of Classes, a BBQ on the "Dustbowl" (now officially the "Campus Green"), seminars, tours of the campus, our Mass and the evening get-together. Connie Regolino couldn't make the reunion because her nephew was graduating from law school that weekend; she's been almost a second mother to him. **Ed Carroll** ran the golf tournament as a scramble, with nine foursomes taking part. Foursome winners were #1: Pat Cahill, Tom Stouter, Lou Ricci and Marge Callahan; #2: Frank Cousineau, Emerson Dickey, Leo McCormack (husband of Claire Hoban McCormack) and Charlotte Carroll (wife of Ed Carroll); #3: Paul Carey, Dick Toland, Mert Thompson, and Jack McCarthy; and #4, a threesome: Dan Mitchell, Bob Mitchell and Jerry Quinn. Individual winners were: closest to pin on Hole 3, Frank Cousineau; closest to pin on Hole 13, Marge Callahan; and long drive on Hole 11, Charlotte Carroll. Marie and I stayed in one of the new dorms, with Arthur and **Eleanor Whalen Tross** and Mary and **Jack McCarthy** as suitemates. Eleanor has been a public health nurse in Virginia. Jack is undergoing chemotherapy for cancer, but played in the golf tournament and returned on Saturday with Mary. I also spoke to Betty and **John Moore**, and **Joe Hines**. At the pre-Pops buffet and Pops concert, everyone was buzzing around Carolyn Kenny Foley, who was in a wheelchair due to a knee injury (not the one she broke last year). Naturally, this postponed the planned visit to her daughter and son-in-law in Korea until the fall. Sitting with Gerry and **Joan Piekarski Croteau** at the Pops, we learned they had eloped just before graduating and Joan actually had her married name on her diploma. We also saw, among many others, **Alice Shea**, **Ernestine Bolduc**, Leo and **Claire Hoban McCormack**, **Warren Baltimore** and Elinor and **Jack Twomey**. Jack noticed an ad in the program for the Bose sound system,

because his son is highly placed in their factory in South Carolina. On Saturday morning, Marie and I went to a presentation on computer technology at BC. All dorm rooms are now wired for the campus computer network, access to the Internet, cable TV and voice mail. Students activate telephones from their room and keep the same telephone number for four years. • I'm running out of room, so I'll continue next column. • We ask your prayers for class members and relatives who have recently passed away. Our condolences go to their families. Also, please keep in mind those who have been ill, including **Mary Lou Sheehan Brown's** husband Jim, who had a blood pressure problem after climbing to the upper campus (where the athletic office, locker rooms, and showers used to be). Doctors at St. Elizabeth's Hospital adjusted his heart medication. • Thanks again for the notes and telephone calls; it's a pleasure to hear from you and pass your news along.

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Well, it is finally here!!! The 20th anniversary of our 20th reunion, better known as our 40th reunion anniversary year. Your class board of directors have been in the process of putting together a year-long summary of events. Early events will include Pops on the Heights on Sept. 27. The Class has reserved tickets for this event on a first-come, first-served basis. Our fall classic football event will take place on Oct. 26, BC vs. Syracuse. A pre-game brunch and post-game reception together with a special Mass is planned. As we get closer to each event, the Class will send out pertinent information covering each of these events. • **Ed Coakley** and **John Harrington** will both co-chair our Class gift special fund raising campaign. • Dropping back in time, Laetare Sunday on March 17, St. Patrick's Day, was

well attended. The following classmates were present at this annual Lenten Communion Breakfast. Bill McQueeney, Dave McAvoy, Paul O'Leary, Henry Smith, Paul McNulty, Jim Devlin, Frank Lynch, Mary Lou Hogan, Betty and Jim Turley, Peggy Kenney, Anna Mary Dooley Stewart, Ed Brickley, John Hoyer, MD and others that I might have missed. • Pat and **Paul McNulty** had their first granddaughter out of five grandchildren. Daughter Lisa gave birth to Meghan Robbins earlier this year. • **Joan Driscoll Lynch** is a full professor at Villanova and is chair of the communication arts department. • Prof. **Margaret Kenney** is project director and research associate of the BC Mathematics Institute which is seeking to reshape the teaching of mathematics in American schools. The Institute, through "the implementation of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics" recently received a National Science Foundation grant of \$736,774 for additional support. Since '92, the project has been awarded more than \$3.2 million from NSF. • **Anna Mary Dooley Stewart's** youngest child, Shelia E. Stewart, graduated from BU in May with a degree in international relations. • It is with deep regret that I inform you of the recent death of **John B. Lynch** on April 4 in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Jack was a very popular classmate and was of the so-called early "boarders" of our class, along with **John Wissler**. Deepest sympathy is extended to Jack's brother, David M. Lynch '59, and the rest of his family. • The class also extends its condolences to **Ted Hoppe's** family on the recent death of his mother, and the family of **Mary Ann Sullivan** who passed away late this past winter. Mary Ann was formerly a school teacher at the Franklin School in W. Newton. • Please remit your 40th anniversary class dues, in the amount of \$25, to Bill Tobin, 181 Central St., Holliston, MA 01746. • Let's make our 40th anniversary reunion the most memorable and best yet ever. Please drop me a line and let me know what you've been up to.

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John Connolly, living in Melrose, recently retired from the Secret Service after 30 years. Daughter Tara is a junior at BC and son Mike is attending Malden Catholic HS. • **Carol and Ed Mulcahy** have recently vacated the climate of MA and moved to Pinehurst, NC. Ed is in the process of setting up an orthopedic office and will continue to practice a few more years. • **Dick Pieri**, living in Holbrook, retired after teaching 35 years in Boston. • Had a nice note from **Jack Murray**, MD, of Burlington, VT. Jack and wife Suzanne live in Colchester on the Winooski River and do a great deal of boating on Lake Champlain. Jack continues to practice pediatrics and is also employed as a full-time staff model pediatrician for Community Health Plan, Vermont's first HMO. He is also a flight surgeon with the Vermont Army National Guard and can be found from time to time flying in helicopters. Jack's oldest son, Bob, is an urban planner for the town of Haverhill. Sarah is working for Pro Media in Needham. Deborah is an asst. mgr. at Kelly Services in So. Burlington, VT, and Tom is managing the sports center at the Sugarbush Ski area. • **Jack Horrigan** retired in Jan. '95 from Heublein after 30 years in sales. Jack and wife **Betty Leary Horrigan** still live in Simsbury, CT and have two grandchildren, a boy and a girl, who reside

in Quincy with their oldest son and daughter-in-law. Their youngest son and wife live in Upton, MA and their middle boy lives in Seattle. Retirement is great for Jack and Betty, and they are planning a cruise to Alaska this summer. They also see **Jim and Judy McCusker** on a regular basis. • **Bill McGovern** writes from NY state that he is still working as a systems analyst for the NY State Dept. of Social Services. Bill, wife Mary, and sons Jim, John, Dan and Ed are all doing fine. • **Marilyn and David Rafferty** are excited about their first grandson, David John, born to Julie Rafferty Curtin and husband John of Duxbury. In addition, they are proud grandparents of four girls, Lindsay Sarah and Meghan Elizabeth Curtin of Duxbury, and Kara Elizabeth and Erin Lynn, daughters of Carolyn Rafferty Morrissey and husband Jim of Chelmsford. • I recently received an interesting letter from Betty and **Paul Fennell** who continue to enjoy the good life in Orlando, FL. After visiting Ireland a second time, Paul is in the process of writing a book on his ancestral background. This is an avocation for Paul; he continues to work with investment clients on a limited basis. Paul and Betty's son Daniel is a captain in the Marines, stationed in Cherry Point, NC. He has been decorated for operations in the Persian Gulf, Somalia, Haiti and Panama. Daughter Barbara is at the Univ. of Central FL. • **Leo Barrett**, from Oldsmar, FL, wrote to seek help in locating **Charles Petracca**. Where are you, Charlie? • **Paul Noonan**, living in Sandwich with his wife, Marion, is VP of admin & finance of George T. Wilkinson, Inc., a producer of gas/oil commercial and industrial burners. Paul was last seen at Laetare Sunday and the Second Helping gala at the 600 Club at Fenway Park. The Class again contributed \$500 to this worthy cause. • The Class was well represented at the Laetare Communion Breakfast with three full tables. • **Dick O'Brien** is soon to be president of the Alumni Association. • As we all know, **Bill Bulger** has left the Senate to become president of UMass. • **Jean Ghidella**, wife of our beloved **Ed Ghidella**, is living in Rockport and keeps busy doing school nursing. • **Ernie Guarino**, retired after 32 years teaching at E. Boston High School is tutoring for the Medford public schools. Ernie and Betty's daughter, Karen, re-

ceived a master's from BC in May. • Nice hearing from **Mary Bryson**, who lives in Waltham. • **Mucca McDevitt's** youngest son, Christopher, graduated from BC in May and joins his mother Jane '67 and oldest brother Michael '91 as proud alumni. Middle son, Mark, graduated from Holy Cross in '92. Naturally, his father says he couldn't get into BC. • Belated congratulations to **Frank O'Neill** on his marriage to Carole Lorenz of San Carlos, CA. **John Donlan** flew out to San Francisco for the wedding and entertained all with his "Beantown" stories. **Jim Quinn** called their Hawaii honeymoon hotel at 9 am (3 am Hawaii time). According to Frank, it was a very short conversation. Appreciation to Frank for entertaining my wife, Marilyn, and her friends on their trip to SF. Frank, port commissioner of SF as well as a myriad of other jobs and professions, arranged for a boat ride in SF bay and free drinks, etc. Frank, include me in on next year's Hibernian Club's 48th annual St. Patrick's Day party which you usually host. • Prayers are requested for my friend **John Skip Faherty '60** who is seriously ill in Orlando, FL. • Please, keep those letters/cards/phone calls coming. I desperately need news from classmates. • Don't forget to send your \$25 class dues to **Jack Mucca McDevitt** at 28 Cedar Road, Medford, MA 02155.

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Four classmates attended Mass and brunch during this year's Alumni Weekend: **Mary Ellen Cunningham Wetzel**, who is director of volunteer services at South Shore Elder Services in Braintree and is the grandmother of three; **Carol Healey Hanley**; **MJ Eagan English**, who is still teaching first grade and visited **Joan Sextro** last summer for ten days; and **Rosemary Stuart Dwyer**.

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Cynthia and Jim Marrinan of Rockville, MD sent me sad news of the passing of classmate **Larry Collins** of Alexandria, VA, who died of a brain tumor March 9. Larry lived here with his wife Karen for the last five years, where he worked as an outplacement counselor for RL Stevens of Vienna, VA. Jim, Larry and **Ray Asselin** were thesis partners in the School of Social Work. After the funeral in Alexandria, there was a memorial service at St. Ignatius, where **Andy Murray** served as honorary pallbearer; Ray Asselin attended. **Dick O'Brien '58**, incoming president of the Alumni Association and resident of nearby Springfield, VA, was a close friend of Larry's. Dick gave a beautiful memorial speech at the Mass, where over 200 family, friends and classmates were present. Our condolences to Karen and the family. • Jim and Cynthia visited their daughter Jane in London. She just finished her third year at BC and completed a semester of study abroad. Daughter Anne (Univ. of Maryland) is teaching in Santiago, Chile. Maybe another trip is in the offing for the Marrinans in the near future? Jim has been elected for a fourth term to the Rockville City Council. • On a recent business trip to Houston, I had a most pleasant visit with my good friend and teammate **Jack Harrington**, who resides there. Jack showed me the fashionable River Oaks area; we also visited two museums and had a great dinner on both sides of my Friday meeting. On Saturday, I went to beautiful San Antonio and spent a great day with my son Joey, who has apparently settled there. Hard for me to argue—except he's out of the family loop. • I talked with **Jerome Havrda**, the only '59 attendee of the football alumni contingent at the annual Spring Intrasquad Game on April 20. He saw Larry Eisenhower '62 and Jim O'Brien '61 among the 200 ex-footballers at the festivities. Jerome has five daughters, two of whom are married. Melissa, the oldest, has three daughters: Meredith, 10; Rachel, 8; and Abigail, 5. In February, Jerome took three of his daughters to Oahu and the big island of

Hawaii. They had fun following the 60-mile lava flow and flying over Kilauea Volcano.

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Please keep in your prayers the following classmates who have reached their eternal salvation: **Anthony Iacamera** of Wilbraham, who passed away on Feb. 4; **Robert K. Cammisa** of Boston, who died May 1, 1994; and **Edward T. Doherty**, who died May 2, 1995. Our belated condolences to the families of our brethren. • **Richard J. Burke** is now associated with the Flatley Co. as director of leasing in the Commercial Industrial Division. Dick was formerly with the Boston Redevelopment Authority in Charlestown, where he now resides. Dick is also a lieutenant colonel in the US Marine Corps Reserves. Both children have graduated from college and his son is attending Suffolk Law. • **John Sheehan** writes that he and **Bob Hart** were part of the first group of BC alumni in the Alumni Association's new international volunteer program. There were 15 volunteers in the group, working with children, the elderly and disabled in three missions in Kingston, Jamaica. Bob's wife and son also joined the visit. This was a sort of homecoming for Sheehan, who went with the first group of BC grads in 1960. • Drop a line; it only costs 32 cents.

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Congratulations to all of us working our way to the 36th. For those unable to make it to the spectacular Merkert Chemistry Building, **Rev. Dick Harrington** celebrated both the class Mass and his own 30 years since ordination. • The 35th reunion saw a lot of faces at Conte Forum for dinner: Nancy Bonazzoli, Maryann DiMario Landry, John Ginella, Robert Graham, Cliff Hoey and Joe Quirk talking to Jim Russell, Bob Sullivan and Dick O'Brien. • **Regina Foley Peel** of Albuquerque, NM made it back after 30 years of teaching elementary school. Now, she chauffeurs husband Jack a few days a week on those endless highways. • This peripatetic eavesdropper learned that **Jack Lane** of Newton took March retirement to spoil wife Patricia and their five grandchildren full-time; that another Newton resident, **Mary Turbino**, is now affiliated with Hammond Residences; that **Paul Brennan** is planning another foray to Ireland and seeks company; and that **Bob Buck** of Severna Park, MD has a list of good info. but can't seem to write it. Someone, mail Bob a pen! • It was more than rumor that Mary and **Bob Kelly** were fare-paying travelers on public transit from leafy Milton to BC Night at the Pops. Riding the Red Line to the 36th may be the next trendy statement. The Kellys did not, however, ride this route a few days later to UPenn to see daughter Mary receive a master's in social work. • Having your photo taken with Fr. Monan is an honor, but when three members of our class happen to be past Alumni Association presidents or vice president-elect, then it becomes a real event. **Jack Joyce**, **George Downey** and **Tom Martin** were, in themselves, that event. • Judy and **John Lonergan** shared that grandson John, born to their son John, is filling up their lives. Daughter Joy graduated from Assumption College and will market for Anheuser-Busch. Younger son Jay is a Fordham junior studying communications. • Who has been coaching football in the New Jersey public schools for 35 years, has been named New Jersey Coach of the Year, is a New Jersey

Hall of Fame nominee, is married to Sue and has three children: John, Bob and Nicole? **John Amabile**, of course. • Renee and **Ed Karazin** are still jubilant about daughter Debbie's May wedding. She's a Harvard lawyer, he a doctor. Not only is Ed well-protected on all sides now, but he and Renee celebrated their 31st anniversary. • Class Fides chair **Dave Oberhauser** married Louise in 1989 and, with 30 years at Polaroid, retired to spend more time sailing and traveling. After recharging his batteries, Dave says he may return to part-time consulting. • Avis and **Dick Glasheen**, no strangers to grandparenting now, claim the fifth—Brendan Patrick, born in March. • **John L. Burke** of Bristol, RI, is president of Burke Systems Group in Providence, a company specializing in software for food distributors. He has two married children; no grandchildren yet. Son John is an IRS auditor; daughter Elaine is a lobbyist in DC. • Framingham sent two of its finest to the reunion in **Jack Carr** and **Phil Donahue**. Needham's **Herb Schofield**, Boston's **Peggy Ryan Collins** and Maine's **Jack Sutton** followed—all looking good and having chicken or sole. • Reservoir Capital of Baltimore announced that **Bob Flaherty** has joined the firm as Boston's regional VP. • **Stephen J. Camer** is chief of general surgery at New England Baptist Hospital and clinical professor of surgery at Tufts Univ. School of Medicine. Steve's multi-colored letterhead indicates he's also involved with the clinical institute of surgery at Harvard Medical School. • For alumni thoughtfully creating estate distributions, **Bob J. Houle**, practicing attorney and BC's bequest chairperson, suggests a simple addendum to your will assuring BC a future gift. For info., call him at (617) 552-3409 or -3423. • In May, CSOM's accounting department held a reception in honor of professors Glynn, Zappala and Dmohowski, who have taught a collective 150 years. Leading the '61 attendees was **Lou Corsini**, associate dean of CGSOM; with him were Ray Clinton, George Downey, Dick Glasheen, Frank Fiorentino and Ed McDonough. • **Brian Earley** writes that his career at Xerox took the road from Detroit to Rochester and finally Jacksonville, FL. After ten years with Worcester based Paul Revere Insurance, Brian became executive director and senior adminis-

trator officer for AV Med Health Plan out of Gainesville, FL. He is also committed to several community projects that include Stop Kids Cancer and the Chamber of Commerce. He and Deanne have been married 30 years and are both Eucharistic ministers at their parish church. The family is rounded out with children Michelle, Matt and Katie and granddaughter, Brianna. The Earleys play year-round golf and would love to hear from classmates. (352) 336-6307. • **Cliff Hoey** married Maggie '62, which resulted in son John and daughter Patty '85. The Hoey's are winter residents of Arlington but summer residents of S. Yarmouth. I think they like the first and I know they love the second. Cliff is willing to share that he is thankful for the values instilled by the BC faculty many years ago. • Another Reunion attendee is **Carol Lally Reynolds** who had kept in touch with Gina Foley Peel and **Clair Kelly Wood** over the years. All three were able to exchange news over the May weekend. Carol is mother to six and grandmother to three and in her 15th year of teaching with the Sudbury public schools. If she is not busy enough, this Waltham lady has five dogs as reminders of the time she bred canines for show careers. This was a hobby, she admits, that was very expensive. • **Jim Novak** spent the past year as a Fulbright Scholar with the Asiatic Society, authoring some 40 articles. This year, he became senior advisor to a foundation in Afghanistan helping to replant olive trees. Despite the shelling of Kabul, where he stayed, Jim made such impact that he was named an honorary colonel in the Army of Resistance. He couldn't make the reunion, but is spending time long overdue in his Florida digs. • More eavesdropping news from the 35th next issue.

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"Make new friends, but keep the old; one is silver and the other gold!" What was thought-provoking when I heard this as a Girl Scout (albeit for only about ten minutes, 100 years ago) is now quite profound, especially when thinking about our most

wonderful recent 35th Newton College reunion. We are indeed fortunate to have had the experience of being together many years ago; and it seems as if that bond is growing stronger as the years go by. Certainly I, and everyone at our reunion, felt reunited in this bond of friendship and caring. We all owe a debt of gratitude to the reunion committee, composed of Rosie Hanley Cloran, Brigid O'Sullivan Sheehan, Joan Donohoe O'Neil, Ellen Mahony King, Linda Gray MacKay, Nancy Simpson Porter, Sallie Ann Dow Casey and Barbara Feeley O'Brien. This group, with Anne Phelan '71, our able Newton College coordinator at Alumni House, put together a great program for the weekend. To begin the reunion festivities on Friday evening, **Sallie Ann Dow Casey** graciously opened her lovely home in Brookline for a beautifully-prepared pre-Pops supper. Memories and reminiscences were flowing; at the same time, we were able to catch a glimpse of Sallie's son Francis, looking splendid in black tie as he rushed off to graduation festivities (BC '96). We were also pleased to see Sallie's daughters—Ann, Marianne and Margaret. We couldn't help but miss Sallie's beloved husband "Case," who passed away last summer, but were charmed to make the acquaintance of Sallie's first grandchild—Margaret's new daughter Casey. From the Casey home, we went to Symphony Hall and enjoyed the Pops concert, conducted by John Williams. On to Belmont after the Pops, where we were treated to an elegant repast of desserts and coffee, hosted by **Nancy Simpson Porter** and husband Ralph. All that drifted off to sleep on Friday night were in a very mellow mood, thanks to the wonderful atmosphere created by the gracious hospitality of Sallie, Nancy and Ralph. Friday night was the start of a wonderful weekend. • On Saturday morning, those of us who were (barely) able, reconvened at Putnam House with the Class of '66; we discussed how the expectations of women have changed and how we can best meet the challenges of life. It was quite evident that the age difference of five or ten years, together with the consequences of societal changes over the past 35, have produced some decidedly different opinions! We then enjoyed the noontime Garden Party Luncheon under a tent, and were happy to continue catching up

on each other's news. • The high point of our weekend was the class dinner party, held at Newton Country Day on Saturday evening. Everyone had a wonderful time socializing and simply being together again. It can honestly be said that the '61 party was the jewel in the crown of a wonderful reunion. Some classmates were able to attend all events, others could only attend a few; but everyone appreciated the efforts made by all. From Massachusetts came Bob and Mary Ann McDonald Barry from Belmont; Joan Donohoe O'Neil from Cambridge; Faith Mead Bertram from Hamilton; Bill and Rosie Hanlon Cloran from Newton; John and Ellen Mahony King from Newton; Bob and Margot Bruguire Martin from Holden; Barry and Barbara Feeley O'Brien from Concord; Kathy Dwyer Lazcano from Norwell; Dick and Joan Merrick Egan from Wellesley; Sissy Kane Sullivan, also from Wellesley; Ralph and Nancy Simpson Porter from Belmont; Bill and Elaine Fitzgerald Shea from Arlington; Frank and Gail Giere Collins from Northampton; Sallie Ann Dow Casey from Brookline; Gerry Brigid O'Sullivan from Lincoln; Mary Walsh from Charlestown; Beth Good Wadden from East Longmeadow; Larry and Linda Gray MacKay from Milton; Babs Kager from Waltham; and Marylou Fortin DeRose from West Springfield. Coming from some distance we had Bob and Alo Coleman Riley from Sebastian, FL (summering in Cohasset); Patsy *Zelda* Keating from Lakeville, CT; Kathy Hall Hunter from Mendham, NJ; Nancy Huff from Winter Haven, FL; Mookie Stehling Kamps from Milwaukee, WI; Peggy Blanchard Phillips from Vienna, VA; John and Gay Landrigan Clasby from McLean, VA; Susie Ahearn from Norwalk, CT; John and Karen Schaumber Ferguson from Greenwich, CT; Sheila Flaherty Comerford from Sanbornton, NH; Carrol and Margo Dineen Muccia from Chappaqua, NY; Julie Fazakerly Gilheany from Douglaston, NY; and the long-distance award goes to . . . Cathy Chester Dingell from Redondo Beach, CA! • I'm sorry to end this edition of class notes. I've much more to report, but have a word limit. Please look for more news in the months to come. • We're thinking of having a get-together in the fall for the Pops on the Heights Scholarship Gala, being held

at Conte Forum on Fri., Sept. 27. Please call me ASAP if you're interested in attending; tickets are very limited! • I'll be your correspondent for awhile as our loyal class scribe, Rosie Hanley Cloran, who has had this job for forever, is taking a breather while she moves across the street in Newton! Call or write with news. • Remember, our reunion is the third weekend in May, 2001!

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Our heartiest congratulations to **General John J. Sheehan, USMC**, Supreme Allied Commander, Atlantic and Commander-in-Chief, US Atlantic Command, who was recently named this year's recipient of the William V. McKenney Award. This is the highest award given by the BC Alumni Association. General Sheehan also holds the unique distinction of being the first BC graduate to become a four-star general. • Congratulations to **Jack MacKinnon** who was recently invested as a Knight of Malta in St. Patrick's Cathedral in NYC. • Congratulations to **Rev. Kevin G. O'Connell, SJ** on his new assignment to the staff of The Jesuit Center in Amman, Jordan and his appointment as pastor of a newly-established English-language parish in the Amman diocese. • I don't believe we have ever offered **Judge John M. Moose McLoughlin** our congratulations on his being appointed a district court judge in Rhode Island. John recently completed a program at The National Judicial College in Reno, NV. • **Dr. Ralph Surette** is a licensed psychologist and practicing psychotherapist in the District of Columbia. Ralph also runs a number of different "wellness" seminars for businesses on various subjects. • Our congratulations to **Eugene R. Guerrera** who was recently named first VP of investments at Smith Barney in Hartford. • Condolences are extended to the families of **Atty. Daniel R. Murphy** of Mount Lebanon, PA and **John G. Welch** of Needham who both passed away in Nov. '95. • Please keep the news coming! I need your help to write an up-to-date column. Thanks.

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Finally, some pieces of news for our class which will be celebrating the 35th reunion next May! Make plans now so we can have a great turnout.

• I visited with **Barbara Jones** twice this year—once in Jan. and again in April. Along with her job at Dresser Industries, she continues to be busy, and holds the respect of the DC community for her part in rebuilding Georgetown Visitation after its devastating fire. • While in DC, I also saw **Toni Lilly Roddy** who has moved to Kensington, MD, and **Patti Joyce Figge** who is always on the move. • **Joanne Meehan Berghold** is having two exhibitions of her photographs. The first was this past spring in Gallery Brocken in Koganei-Shi, which is in Tokyo. In June, she had a show at the Cortland-Jessup Gallery in Provincetown on Cape Cod. Her shows are minimal landscapes from her series on rodeos. • **Mary Corbett** reports that her Chicago Metropolitan Pipe Band moved from being champion supreme of the Mid-West in Grade 4 to Grade 3, and has so far won every competition in '96. Keep piping, Mary! The reunion is coming up! • I've recently spoken with **Carolyn Dursi Porteous** who has spent a good part of this past year renovating the old family homestead in New Milford, CT. She and David commute between there and NYC. • **Ellen Markey Thurmond** and **Peggy Brennan Hassett** reunited in Florida this winter. • **Pat Beck Reardon** has bitten the bullet and left the Windy City for the warmer climes of Fort Meyers, FL. Her golf and tennis have greatly improved, and she loves her new life with no more shoveling. • Last spring, I had an incredible experience delivering medical supplies to Bosnia with the Catholic Medical Foundation. We were only there eight days, but the need and devastation we saw will always be with me. Another adventure I had last summer was hosting a 13-week series for Boston Catholic TV, which aired three times a week for 26 weeks. I interviewed people who, in their lives, are living their faith. I had to find the people (which was the best part for me), write whatever script I needed, and then sit in

front of the camera and act like I'd been doing this all my life. That was the major challenge! • Please send me your news, or I'll have to start making up stories about all of you!

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Judy Nisius Hagan and husband Tom '62 report that life just gets better as empty nesters. Recently returned from a lengthy sojourn to Hong Kong, they report, as Dorothy so aptly puts it, "There's no place like home." Daughter Kate '95 lives in San Diego; daughter Susan is in Cambridge; daughter Mary Ellen and son-in-law Tim Waycik '88 changed Judy and Tom's life with grandson Christopher, Class of 2012! • Congratulations to Julie Frisoli, daughter of Ginny and **Len Frisoli**, who will start her first year at BC in September. • Congratulations to Kevin Barry, son of Judy and **John Barry**, who also will be a freshman at BC. • **Andy O'Brien** has been appointed director of human resources for the Plymouth County sheriff's

department. Andy and his wife Ann live in Scituate. • Congratulations are in order for Sarah Mahoney, who just received a master's, and for Ellen Mahoney, a recent graduate of Bates. They are daughters of Sarah Ann and **Jim Mahoney** of Needham. Jim is a partner with HLM Management Co., Inc. in Boston. • **John Sheehan** has been chairman of the board of selectmen in Walpole for the last three years. He owns Sheehan Appraisal Co. in Norwood.

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Friday, May 17 was a delightful combination of Pops at Symphony Hall and nostalgia at the post-Pops party in McElroy Commons for many of our classmates and their families who celebrated our 30th reunion! Joella and **Dane Baird** and Denise and **Paul Delaney** were observed clapping hands and tapping feet to the wonderful music of conductor John Williams. I had the opportunity to enjoy the company of **George Perkins**, who flew in from Wisconsin, where he is an assistant professor of economics at Univ. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. George was accompanied by his daughter Jeannette, a student at the Univ. of New Mexico; he has five other grown children, including Elizabeth '96 and David '98. George also received his PhD in economics in 1976. • Ann Marie Carroll of Newton College also joined us; at the next table was **Timothy Collins**. Tim received his master's from Bentley in 1986 and is an IRS agent. • **Walter Casey** enjoyed the post-Pops celebration; he has one daughter at BC and another attending in the fall. • Many stayed in the dorms for the weekend and enjoyed a whole new experience compared to their undergraduate days! • Saturday morning saw **Dane Baird** present the class gift to outgoing president Rev. J. Donald Monan, SJ. Fr. Monan and about 50 class-

mates gathered in a full alumni parade from Bapst Library to the Dustbowl, where we enjoyed an outdoor barbecue and lots of reminiscing. **Tom Keller** and **Ted and Doris Kastorf Lawson** marched very spryly! • Saturday evening found classmates wining, dining and reminiscing in O'Connell House. Sue and **Ed Foley** drove up from New Jersey, and Julie and **Fran Riley** drove down from Westford. We all laughed, talked and enjoyed each other, pledging to enjoy our 35th and round up more classmates to enjoy it with us. So, on behalf of the class, please plan to return to BC in five years for another wonderful celebration. • I received several notes recently. **Lee Hecht Harrison** of 7 Harmon's Island in Scarborough, ME, wrote to suggest that my term "brownbagger" and description of same was definitely not PC, and should be replaced by the term "commuter." I thank Lee; as a survivor of four years of commuting to BC from Charlestown with my mother's home-made PB&J or tomato and cheese whitebread sandwiches wrapped up in little brown lunch bags, I wasn't into too much that was politically correct! Even now, as a sitting City Councillor, there are still people who think I'm politically incorrect! I hope Lee's BC friends will drop him a note. • **Paul Hogan** is the newly-appointed executive VP of corporate relationship banking at Bank of Boston. He's also on the board of directors at Carney Hospital in Dorchester. • **Ned Hines, Jr.** was elected chair of Associated Industries of Mass. He's a partner of the Boston firm Choate, Hall & Stewart, where he's practiced tax law since graduating from Harvard Law in '69. He's a member of the board of the Mass. Taxpayers' Foundation, chair of the Carroll Center for the Blind, and national vice-chair for development of the American Heart Association. • **Stephen Arlinghaus** writes that he is minister/counselor for commercial affairs at the US Mission to the European Union in Brussels, dealing with commercial relations between the US and the 15 member countries of the Union. Steve and his wife Eileen have four daughters. • The International Human Resources Development Corp. of Boston has selected **John J. Connor** to be the training manager/assistant program director for the Ministry of Oil and Gas of the Kazakhstan Republic. John is a

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resident of St. Croix, US Virgin Islands. • **John M. Wood** has been elected director of legal personnel for Reed Smith Shaw & McClay in Washington, DC. John serves on the advisory board of the Salvation Army's National Capital and Virginia divisions. John and his family reside in Great Falls, VA. • With each issue I have to continue to report classmates who have passed away. May they rest in eternal peace. **Douglas F. Raymond** of Schenectady, NY was a contract negotiation attorney for GE for 30 years. He retired in 1983 and became a child guardian with the Schenectady County Family Court until his death. Our condolences to his wife Mary and their children. • **Jude T. Flynn** died Nov. 28, 1994. Our condolences to his wife Joan. • **James William Bush, Jr.** died Nov. 19, 1995. Jim was a native of Indianapolis and held degrees from BC, Harvard Divinity School and Univ. of Michigan in classics, theology and social work. His professional interests were as varied as his education; he had been a teacher, consultant on educational policy, caterer, and importer of designer furniture. • As always, *tempis fugit*; I thank all who contributed to our class update.

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Forty-four classmates attended our 30th reunion May 17-19, including

three who had never been to a reunion before: **Medora Dodie Burnett Houston**, **Helen Butchie deGolian Neely** and **Doris Heller Wise**. Also in attendance was **Jo Bogert Pieper**, who last came to a reunion in 1971. We had, as usual, a fabulous discussion on Saturday, and are thinking about extending our reunion in 2001 to run an extra day so that we can spend more time in thoughtful conversation. You'll hear all about those discussions in a packet that will come to you under separate cover, when your reunion coordinators have fully recovered and get back to work putting the materials together! Just a few vignettes from the weekend: **Mary Donahue Stearns**, **Ros Moore**, **Sheila McIntyre Barry**, **Joyce LaFazia Heimbecker** and **Louise Mazyck Woodruff** led the discussions on Saturday (talk about change—that group includes three PhDs, a former nun, a grandmother, a new bride, and the canonical head of an Episcopal parish); **Joan Candee Collins**, **Pat Ryan Grace**, and **Barbara Childs Dwyer** hung crepe paper and painted white lines on our “Route 66” highways; **ML Kelly Wolfington's** Saturday safari hat; **Nicole Hatoun** looked younger than any 51-year old woman has a right to; **Sharon Cuffe Fleming** and **Sheila McIntyre Barry** broke some serious sweat doing the frug, mashed potato, twist and pony, not to mention the YMCA; 30 sophisticated, well-dressed women danced in a circle taking turns in the center with **Midge Kramer Wilker's** silky black shawl; **Butchie deGolian Neely** closed the circle by returning to Newton for the first

time since the spring of 1963—and loved it; and **Sister Quinlan**, a sprightly 80+, wearing a red power suit, read the petitions at Mass on Sunday. You should have been there! Note: Randomly selected class notes start now, and will continue through the next few issues since there is a length limit. • **Mary Pat Baxter** graduated from Seton Hall law school this spring. • **Dina Cockerill Burke**, who manages an art gallery, wrote to tell us she wouldn't be at the reunion because her daughter, **Parnell**, a Boston resident, was being married at home a few weeks later. Dina also included news about **Jef Fitzgerald Dolan**. “This has been a very exciting, nerve-wracking year for the Dolans. According to all the media, [Tom, her son] is our best chance for a [swimming] gold medal in Atlanta.” Tom, 20, is a student at Univ. of Michigan, and set an Olympic Trials record in the 200-meter individual medley. • **Vita Neureither McCall**, Bob, and Maria, 9, have been back on the East Coast for the past two years, after spending three years in Bremerton, WA. Vita has returned to substitute teaching and tutoring, and also stays busy volunteering at school, church and in Maria's Brownie troop. • **Sally Albergotti Noble** teaches adults in ESL and adult basic education in Ottawa, Ontario. • Also teaching ESL and writing textbooks is **Dorothy Feeney Lynde**, who received her EdM from BU in '94. Dottie and David have two children: Peter, 16, and Kathryn, 14. • **Ann Marie Kennedy** has been disabled with CFIDS (Chronic Fatigue Immune Dysfunction Syndrome) since '88 and for the indefinite future. She has also undergone cancer surgery on both breasts, along with chemo and radiation. She writes: “Living with a long-term illness and under the cloud of other life-threatening diseases is not easy. . . . I nonetheless maintain a positive attitude with the blessing of a strong, personal relationship with God; a loving family: my mother, the memory of my deceased father, and my sons; a few true blue friends; and a sense of humor.” Ann's sons are Richard and Peter Burke—they both graduated magna from Middlebury College. Richard is now in Japan teaching conversational English to Japanese professionals and students, and Peter works at John Hancock in Boston. “Both of them are wonderful!” • **Karen Carty O'Toole** is a product manager in

the technical research department at Fidelity Management and Research in Boston. She has been with Fidelity for 17 years, and has focused her research for the last nine years on the international market. She had the opportunity to attend a business information convention in Budapest in '95, and frequently takes classes offered by the Boston Security Analysts' Society. Karen and Jack recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary. Their son Jay is pursuing an advanced degree in landscape architecture; Beth graduated from BC, received her MEd from Lesley, and lives and teaches in New Jersey; and Brendan is a senior at Wesleyan. Karen lost her father to cancer in '91, and underwent uterine cancer surgery herself a year ago—she reports that she's doing fine! • **Bonnie Bortle-McMahon** reports that she and Jim “continue to enjoy the beauty, warmth and aloha of life in Hawaii. Moving there is the second smartest thing we've ever done. (Marrying each other was the first!)” • **Patty Petzold Turnbull** is still living in Grosse Pointe, MI. She is the mother of Dan and Michael French, and John, and Betsy Turnbull—and the grandmother of two. • **Jane Lenehan Lewis** is living in Bakersfield, CA, where she is a social worker at Kern Bridges Youth Homes. Jane and Bill are the parents of Kerry, a UC Santa Barbara graduate; and Brenda, who graduated from Northern Arizona Univ. this spring. • More next time!

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We are saddened to report the passing of **Ross Marcou** of Bethesda, MD. Ross worked for the World Bank in Washington, DC where he served as a compensation analyst. The class offers its condolences to Ross's wife, Kathleen, and to his family. • **Charles Benedict** has been elected VP/president-elect of the MBA Alumni at BC Carroll Graduate School of Management. By virtue of being president-elect, he will serve on the BC Alumni board of directors. • A small but active group of classmates has met to help plan the events for our 30th Reunion. Preliminary discussion centered around the following events: BC vs.

Syracuse football game and reception in Oct.; a tour of the BC Museum with cocktails; BC ice hockey game with a reception following with classmate/coach **Jerry York** in attendance; Laetare Sunday; and a dinner dance at a location to be announced. Once plans have been firmed up, a formal calendar of events will be sent to all classmates by mid-summer. • Plan ahead for a great 30th! Please write, need notes!

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Greetings from Cape Cod: **Debbie Carr** of Mashpee has had an interesting summer as director of the Guyer Art Gallery in Hyannis. Besides the weekly exhibits—including, I believe, some of her own watercolors—Debbie arranged for Friday night poetry readings and music evenings. Her efforts are a positive contribution to a long-standing tradition. Hurry down here and visit. Last year Debbie joined **Mary Feldbauer Jansen**, **Sherie Mullen Welch**, **Meg Harrington Tyre**, **Noreen Conolly** and **Nancy Birdsall** for a major birthday event with **Patty Lawlor Webster** in Vermont. **Jane Hannaway Stiglitz** wasn't old enough, but was expected. She couldn't come due to the death of her mother. Mary worked with **Jodi Foster** on the movie *Home for the Holidays*. Nancy was honored at the '95 Williams College graduation. • **Peggy Dinneen Berry** of Wellesley was down in W. Hyannisport this summer. Besides beaching, boating and bridge-playing, I advised golf to fill out her time away from working as a private consultant. This spring, Peggy also lost her mother. • **Anne Caswell Prior** of Lowell spent the beginning of the summer in Ireland and arrived in Falmouth just in time for 4th of July festivities. Anne reports that **Louise Tully Wallace** works for Houghton Mifflin in Chicago. Anne's oldest, Katherine '95, works for them in Boston.

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Congratulations to **Martin Joyce** on his election to VP of A.T. Kearney, global management consulting firm. Based in the Boston office, Marty's consulting specialties include strategy validation, business process reengineering, operational improvement, information technology, outsourcing and executive management. He has previously served as exec. VP of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Mass. and as a partner of Coopers & Lybrand. He is vice chairman of the board of directors of Catholic Memorial High School, W. Roxbury. He is also a member of the Mayor's committee on communications and technology, City of Boston, as well as a member of the executive committee for the annual auction of the Make-A-Wish Foundation. He is a retired lieutenant colonel of the Rhode Island Air National Guard. Marty, his wife Peggy and their children reside in Walpole. • **Michael Cowhig** has been named senior VP for manufacturing and technical operation for the stationery products group at The Gillette Co. • **Michael MacNeil** has been appointed director of the annual fund in the development office of Saint Anselm College in Manchester, NH. He was previously director of the annual fund at Merrimack College. For his service to Catholic schools in New England, he was presented the outstanding service award by the New England Association of Catholic Development Officers. He and his wife Patricia have five children and live in Londonderry, NH. • We enjoyed a lovely springtime reunion of Greycliff Dorm roommates when **Jeannie Grosz Davis** visited **Phyllis Pasquarelli Emmel** here in Southern Calif. • We have an exciting summer planned for the happy days with our Fourth of July wedding anniversary celebration in Alaska, and a trip to Hawaii in August with our son Christopher '93 for the opening football game with the '96 Eagles vs. Univ. of Hawaii. It will be fun to see fellow classmates there, as well as at the Heights during football season. • Go Eagles!

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Bill Luke has been named VP and CFO of Autotote Corp. in NYC. Bill was previously the CFO of the Nashua Corp. for the past 10 years. • I regret to announce the death of **Shawn Glenn**, who died of cancer Jan. 8. He worked for Dela Trust Co. in Wilmington, DE and lived in Hockerssin, DE. • **Mary Thompson** has been promoted to assistant VP of MFS Service Center in Boston. Mary lives in Duxbury. • Congratulations to **Dick Loring** of Southborough, who ran in the 100th Boston Marathon. • It was good seeing the following classmates at Laetare Sunday on March 17: Marty Gavin, Clare Murphy, Kathy Dawson Brett, Kathy Maguire Reynolds and Janice Basile Whittemore. • Among the many classmates attending the May 1 tribute to Father Monan were Clare Murphy, Pat Daly, Marty Gavin, Greg Murphy and Walter Tobin. **Geoffrey Boisi**, chair of BC's board of trustees, presided over the event. • The Niles Co. named **Jerry Ragosa** as president of their Boston-based real estate company. For the past 11 years, Jerry, co-owner of the firm, served as executive VP. The Ragosas reside in Milton. Son Mark will be a senior at Bowdoin, where he plays football. Son Peter graduated from Deerfield Academy and will attend UVA in the fall on a lacrosse scholarship. Peter was a three-sport captain at Deerfield. In football, he was named a first-team *Boston Globe* all-scholastic safety and inducted into the Western Mass. Hall of Fame. In hockey, he was named to Hockey Night in Boston's all-tournament team. In lacrosse, he is two-time first-team Division 1 Prep all-star and all-American, and received the Boyden award as outstanding prep school scholar-athlete.

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I've always been told never to volunteer for anything, but in this case I'm going to make an exception. I don't know if it's middle-aged dementia, or just plain foolishness, but I am now the correspondent for the Class of '70. I've agreed to do this for one year. I will continue after that time if you participate by sending me news to pass on to our classmates. *Warning!* If you do not send me information to include in this column, I will randomly select names from the class list and *make things up*. It seems a shame that no one can take a couple of minutes to jot down a few notes and pass them on for inclusion in the column. For those of you who have learned to use the Internet from your kids, the task is even easier—because you can e-mail me at the above address. Anyway here goes: • The 6th Annual B.A.T. (Bomber's Annual Tournament) FLOG was held June 14 at **Tom Bomber Sexton's** house on the Cape. This event has grown each year, and this year nine members of our class hit the links in the never-ending search for peace and relaxation that is supposed to be derived from golf. I, personally, only play once a year and so far no one has beaten my longest drive record from the '94 tournament. This year's attendees were **Tom Sexton**, corporate controller for Mass. Blue Cross Blue Shield; **Paul Mahoney**, VP for Sedgwick James in Boston; **Greg Miller**, VP for Siebe in Foxboro; **Don Therrien**, who has recently opened his own business in N. Andover distributing lawn care equipment and parts; **Ed Vozella**, who is now a bigwig with Staples; **Phil Cody**, who owns his own leasing company in Jupiter FL; **Charlie Reagan**, who is in the trucking business in MI (He left immediately after the game because he was headed for Japan the next day); **Mike Mingo**

Mingolelli, who owns a financial planning services company in Framingham; and yours truly. I am the owner of North Cove Outfitters, Inc., a retailer of apparel and equipment for the outdoor industry (fly fishing, camping, canoeing, climbing, kayaking, shooting sports, etc.). Last minute cancellations were **Mike Patten**, who's with Digital; **Frank Doyle**, who's the managing partner of the Boston office of Coopers & Lybrand; and **Jim Godsill**, who has recently become president of The Franklin Mint in Philadelphia. I think that old age is creeping up on some of these guys because our usual pre-golf late night poker game was cut short when everyone headed to bed before midnight. These geezers apparently just don't have the stamina they once had. I have since confirmed this with some of their spouses. Before we teed off, we drew straws. The loser had to play with Paul Mahoney. Since we had some no-shows it worked out that no one had to ride with Paul. This was great for all of us. This was Mingo's first appearance in the tournament, and since he used to be an apartment mate of mine I felt compelled to ride with him. This was a big mistake. He arrived wearing lime green knickers and a Greg Norman golf hat. What a picture! The biggest surprise of the day was that he didn't try to sell anyone insurance. Unfortunately no one could share the joy of the day with Paul as he played one of his better games in recent memory. (He kept his own score.) All of the above talked a great story about how tough they were, and so I brought four sea kayaks with me. After the game everyone all had excuses as to why they couldn't go kayaking. I guess they just don't have it any more. • Well that's all the news from the Class of '70, where all our waists are still thin and our hair is still thick. • P.S. I'm not kidding. *I will make stuff up!*

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What a great 25th! You all looked fabulous! Cardinal Law was even heard to say, "This is the youngest 25th anniversary class I have ever seen." • Our thanks to Reunion Chair **Ed Saunders** and his talented committee: **Charlie Earley**, treasurer; **Mary Bronski**, **Barbara Lucas DeLutis**, **Jim Deveney**, **Jim Engler**, **Andrea Santosuosso Foley**, **Bob Foley**, **Jeanne Burns Glynn**, **Chris Gorgone**, **Bob Griffin**, **Mark Holland**, **Peter Maguire**, **Fr. Tom Maguire**, **Joe Maher**, **Helen Walsh McCusker**, **Mike Power**, **Maureen Foly-Rousseau**, **Mary Keefe Rull**, **Joe Rull**, **Brian Shaughnessy**, **Merry Turner Grip**, **Nancy Falcione Wise** and **Bob Maguire**. • The yearbook effort was Herculean. Kudos to: **Jim Deveney**, **Helen McCusker**, **Jim Engler**, **Maureen Foley-Rousseau**, **Nancy Wise**, **Jeanne Glynn**, **Mary Bronski** and **Mary Rull**. • Thanks to the Alumni staff for arranging a memorable weekend. In particular, **Patty Anne Lyons** was an organizational whiz! • Pops is always enjoyable, but the company made it more so. Seen still holding hands after all these years are campus sweethearts: **Bob and Janet Pierni Griffin** (yes, that is Eastern Bank EVP Bob in all those TV ads. He says no stunt double was needed.); **Greg and Barbara Lanzolotti MacDonald**, **Barbara and Fred DeLutis**, **Mary and**

Joe Rull, **Joan and Joe Maher**, **Andrea and Bob Foley**, **Paul and Maria Durgin Capobianco**, **Joe and Ann Marie Dever Ryan**, **Larry and Maureen Mallon Lawler** and **Jim and Rene Reiman Lozier**. • Prominent on campus were eloquent **Laetare Sunday Celebrant Fr. Tom Maguire** and the singing toastmaster **John Murphy**. Over 100 members and family from '71 participated in Laetare Sunday. If you missed it, they both did our class proud. • Looking like they could still perform at Alumni Stadium were cheerleaders **Donna Dolan Mulanaphy** and **Susan Boehler Montanaro**. Also ready to march were majorettes **Merry Grip**, **Donna Petrulavage Qualters** and **Janet Griffin**. • Also on campus were football standouts **Gary Danciewicz**, **Jim Lozier**, **Col. Chris Baker**, **USMC Jim Milham**, **Mike Lardner** and **Kevin Fee**; soccer's **Peter Oberto**, **Bob Maguire** and **Ken Daggett**; and basketball's **Vin Costello** and **Mike Dunn**. • Traveling distances were **Dick Sullivan** from Salt Lake City, **Susan Mantanaro** from Aspen, **Judith Ann Zalewski Beattie** from Oakland, CA and **David McAuliffe** from San Francisco. • The class gift of over \$1.3 million (the largest gift ever by a 25th class) was presented to Fr. Monan by **Ann Harris Connor**, **Dave McAuliffe**, **Mark Holland** and **Bob Sliney**. Incredible effort gang! • Did anyone buy a book at the bookstore? • **Brian Shaughnessy** expanded his sporting goods empire. A must see is **Bob Smith/Wilderness House** at 1048 Comm Ave. • **Fr. Tom Garlick** has asked that a memorial Mass for our deceased classmates be planned. Details to follow. • **Tim Madden** and **Bill Reilly** were part of a numerous NJ contingent. **Brian and Toni Curry** are often on campus with son **Tim '99**. **Brian** is also the BC Club of NJ president. Others with BC kids include **John and Kathleen Murphy** (Beth '99), **Mike and Kathleen Power** (Mike '98), **Nancy and Bill Wise** (Whitney '99 and Christian '94), **Janet and Bob Griffin**, (Michael '00), **Kevin and Christine Fee** (Kevin '00), **Jan Brazzo Birney** (Matt '97), **Richard Fougere** (Jessica '99), **Claire Hinckley Wholley** (Samuel '99), **Mike Dunn** (Greg '98), **Rene and Jim Lozier** (Jim '00), **Cathy Mazanowski Carpenter** (Tom '96 and Jill '98), **Dr. Tom Colacchio** (Rebecca '99), **Mike Caira** (Jennifer '96), and **Tony and Joyce Rizzuto**

(Alexis '92 and Karen '96). • By the way, Lt. Col. **Dr. Tony Rizzuto** is soon to be ordained deacon. Congratulations Tony! • At the Saturday night party, was that **Mary Linko** leading dance aerobics? Educators **Helen McCusker**, **Jim Deveney** and **Joe Rull** would surprise their students with dance floor moves. Video available to interested students. • Judge **John Corbett** was seen at the side bar with barristers **Tom Henneberry**, **Phil Tracy** and **Paul Cronin**. • Other legal briefs: **Brain Cunha** of FIGAWI fame has a new home in Newport, RI, and there was a reported sighting of **Mad Dog** playing "horse hockey" in Dallas. Confirmation requested. • What were **Patty Smith** and **Peggy Powers** asking **Paul Collins**? • Eagle raids? • Where did **Mary Bronski** say she was going? • A fun night that went too quickly. Did the Strike committee ever meet at midnight? We know the newly formed cigar club met at 3 am in the Mods. • Standing tall in top hat and tails to represent our class as Silver Jubilarians at Commencement were Chief Marshall **Ed Saunders**, **Mary Bronski**, **Kathleen Burek**, **Mike Caira**, **Ann Connor**, **Mike Costello**, **Paul Cronin**, **Ellen Delaney**, **Barbara DeLutis**, **Jim Deveney**, **Ed Driscoll**, **Charlie Earley**, **Jim Engler**, **John Finning**, **Andrea and Bob Foley**, **Maureen Foley-Rousseau**, **Chris Gorgone**, **Bob Griffin**, **Mark Holland**, **Fr. Tom Maguire**, **Bob Maguire**, **Joe Maher**, **Helen McCusker**, **John Murphy**, **Ellen Phean**, **Mike Power**, **Tony Rizzuto**, **Joe Rull**, **Steve Rusconi**, and **Eileen and Wahib Saliba**. A beautiful day to cap off a memorable reunion. • Fax, call or e-mail, but keep the class notes flowing.

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The only word to describe our class is impressive. After 25 years we are better than I remembered. Ah...dorm life! **Ed** and I shared a suite with: **Jane Hudson**, **Martha Kendrick-Kettmer** and **Marie Robey Wood**. **Jane** is a freelance writer who works for a non-profit management association. She reread her valedictory speech for those of us who were a bit

under the weather at graduation. Her words brought back poignant memories. She has two children: **Catherine**, 9 and **Jed**, 12. Her son, a junior computer whiz, helped retrieve her dissertation after it was accidentally lost in the computer. Her wonderful sense of humor saw her through the experience. **Marty**, a partner with **Patton Boggs, LLP**, practices law in Washington, DC (lobbyist legislative and regulatory matters, health care and insurance law). She and husband **Harry** have three children: **Christine**, 14; **Tommy**, 11; and **Brian**, 9—all avid soccer players. **Marie**, also a freelance writer, is very active in politics and quite busy with her four children: **Pat**, 19; **Mary Beth**, 16; **Brian**, 13; and **John**, 10. They travel quite a bit since her husband, **Bill**, has a private pilot's license. • Also at the reunion: **Eileen McIntyre** has lived in NYC since '73, and is currently SVP for marketing at **Dun and Bradstreet Information Services** in NJ. She has a "thoroughly delightful" 14-year-old son and would love to sell her three bedroom in NYC and avoid the reverse commute. • **Ellen Sheehan Driscoll** lives on Cape Cod with husband **Jack** and their four children: **Courtney**, 20, who will be leaving for the Univ. of Salamanca in Spain in the fall; **Sean**, 19; **Colin**, 16; and **Rory**, 9, who is **Martha Kendrick's** godchild. **Ellen** is an aide in a special needs class. • **Adele Markey Beekman** and husband **Peter** were combining the reunion with a visit to their son **William**, 20 who attends BC. They also have **Richard** 18; **Jay**, 12, and **Adele**, 10. **Adele** continues to be very active in Junior League, Council of Girl Scouts and Family and Children's Services. • **Marianne Griffin Devine** and husband **Victor** live at the Cape and have two daughters: **Kate**, 18; and **Meghan**, 16 who are very involved in basketball and soccer, respectively. The family enjoys skiing and spending time at their home in NH. • **Madeline Finnerty** lives in Ohio with her springer spaniel, **Murphy**. She has traveled widely (16 countries) and enjoys gardening, playing soccer, golf and skiing. She has her own company that specializes in management and organization development, and is very active in professional organizations. • **Judy Iannella Boland** lives in Concord and has recently switched careers to real estate. She and **Bill** have two children: **Alexa**, 19; and **Chris**, 16. Keep an eye out for the **Louis Rich**

Ham commercial, and see if you can spot her. • **Kathy Friedmann Munroe** is an attorney in Hartford concentrating in insurance coverage defense and related environmental and product liability fields. She and her husband Dale built a saltbox in the woods on the Farmington River from which they can observe a variety of wildlife. • Garbled news from my tape recorder: **Beth Cooney Maher** lives in NYC and has four children, aged 18, 16, 15 and 12. She recently heard from **Kathy Mahoney** who still lives in Miami and teaches law at the Univ. of Miami. Kathy is busy conducting a transatlantic relationship with a Swiss photographer. • **Susan Killory Lea** is a middle school teacher. She and Fergus live in ME. One daughter, Casey, 21 graduated from Tufts last year. Second daughter, Rachel, 18, is following her father's footsteps and is a freshman in engineering at Tufts. • **Margaret Peggy Marcotte** is in sales and marketing for IBM in the Boston area. She has remained single and is an avid skier and golfer. She has actually skied the glacier in France on Mont Blanc! • **Barbara Dutto Gargiulo** lives with husband Ed, a lawyer, and her four children: twins Liz and Katie, 20; Edward III, 17; and Laura, 15; in Reading. They spend summers at the Cape, enjoying the beach and their boat. Barbara keeps busy doing volunteer work in her daughter's school program. • At dinner we sat with **Colleen Ross Rossi, Joan Abbot Kiley, Noreen Carey Neville** and their husbands. Noreen is a financial consultant in insurance and investments. Colleen is a middle school principal and has two children: Bethany, 14; and Stephen, 17. My apologies to Joan, because all I remember is that her husband Jack and my husband Ed were talking about raising horses. • **Meg Brady** could only stay for a very short while; she owes us news. • **Anne Duffey Phelan and Mary Lou Duddy DeLong** both work for BC. Anne is an assistant director in the Alumni Association. She has three daughters: Alicia, 19; Caroline, 17; and Lauren, 15. Kudos to Anne for the wonderful job she did—the reunion was fun and fabulous. Mary Lou is VP for University Relations and would love to receive a check from you to support our scholarship fund for children of Newton College graduates. • **Kate Russell** is an analyst for the Gartner Group. She has

a son Alexander, 6, and the energy of a three-year-old. She never stopped dancing all night. • **Rene Nachtigal Patterson** is an elementary school basic skills teacher. She lives with husband Robert and daughter Tracey, 17 in NJ. She loves to travel, and last summer the family rafted down the Colorado river. • God bless you.

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I'll start off with my usual salutation this year: I'm short on news, but I'm looking forward to next year's class reunion, where I hope to replenish my supply. I did get some very interesting letters this month, including one from my Gold Key Society classmate **Bob Paige**, who reports that he and his wife, Sue, are the proud parents of an adopted baby boy after making two trips to Russia. The first trip, during the balmy month of Jan., entailed a train trip to a small town south of Moscow where the train arrived at midnight. They went back in April to pick up the baby, and are now considerably warmer at home in Medford, NJ. • Also, I heard from former varsity baseball captain **Bill Bedard**, who sent me a softball press guide for American International College in Springfield, where he's been the batting coach for many years in addition to being in the home remodeling business. • **Henry Lind**, the natural resources officer for the town of Eastham on the Cape, received the environmental excellence award from the Center for Coastal Studies. • That's all for now. Please let me hear from you.

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On Palm Sunday, Carol Donovan Levis '63 and Rhonda C. Raffi '75, our directors for Newton College on the Boston College Alumni Board, hosted a tea for Newton College alumnae in the Washington, DC area at Stone Ridge Country Day School of the Sacred Heart.

Invited guests included Mary Lou Duddy DeLong '71, VP for University Relations, Anne Duffey Phelan '71 from the BC Alumni Association and Sister Elizabeth White, RSCJ. For the third year in a row, Newton College alumnae enthusiastically attended this spring tea. Many thanks to our hostesses and Stoneridge. Also, many thanks to Adrienne Tarr Free '67 and her wonderful team of alumnae who made the tea very successful. Mary Lou DeLong talked about our outstanding support of the Newton College Scholarship Fund. Anne Phelan reminded everyone that Reunion Weekend is open to all Newton alumnae. Finally, I would be remiss in my duties if I did not also report that Sister White had everyone in stitches. First, Sister introduced a new grade, "R" for rewrite, in her freshman honors English course. Sister then updated us about former Newton religious and lay faculty, all while standing in fifth position. **Margaret Molitor Dooley, Sarah Burns** and I represented our class. • The best excuse for not attending the tea goes to **Beth Carroll Pokorny** who had to go to Belarus for the Department of State. Upon returning from Belarus, Beth announced that the Department of State assigned the Pokorny family to a tour in South Africa effective Aug. 15. • Please take a moment to read *The Society of the Sacred Heart, 1914-1964* by Sister Mary Quinlan, RSCJ. Mary Pignatelli just sent me a copy. • I recently finished my first year as a BC alumni admission volunteer, a tremendously rewarding experience. • Enjoy the Pops on the Heights Scholarship Gala on Sept. 27, and remember to send news. Take care.

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Hello, classmates. • Received a letter from **John J. Tully III**. John wrote the following: "This is the first time that I have ever written to the class correspondent in my 23 years as an alumnus. But the time is here. I thought that I would share my story of last fall. My brother-in-law is a University of Miami grad and Golden Cane similar to the Blue

Chips. He is allowed to travel with the UM team one time per season. But being a good brother-in-law that he is, he let me travel to Chestnut Hill as a closet BC fan. Can you imagine a plane load of UM football players, coaches, assistants, radio and local TV personnel and one lonely BC fan—me? I did have to promise Tim that I would not show my true colors—maroon and gold—until we were in Alumni Stadium. I was fortunate to see BC play the Fighting Irish at Foxboro in 1975. I have seen BC play UM on five occasions in Miami over the past 18 years. I have seen BC play in the Hall of Fame Bowl (Tampa) and Tangerine Bowl (Orlando). It was a cold and damp South Florida day in 1984 when I took my older daughter to the Hail Mary game. I flew on the team plane with my sister to Providence for the UM-BC game this past fall. Even though I have been back to BC numerous times with my wife and children, this was the first football game at the Heights. We stayed at the same hotel as the UM team. Saturday morning, we had a nice brunch at Lyons Hall. Since I was a commuter for two years and lived off-campus for two years, I spent all my free time at Lyons. It was real neat to visit the campus under those circumstances. Well, I babbled too much. I experienced something that most football fanatics would love to do." Signed, John J. Tully III, 8788 NW 18 Court, Coral Springs, FL 33071; (954) 752-5889 (h); (954) 776-2164 (w). Thanks, John, for a great update! • Classmates, if you have not seen your name in this column in the last three years, then please, go to your nearest computer, type in your name, your spouse's and children's names where applicable, where you work, and your phone number if you wish it to appear in this column. Then call, write or fax me with this information. • Our 25th reunion is less than two years away. Time to start thinking about what it should be like. Please feel free to use this column to reach old classmates, share ideas about the reunion, etc. • Your class correspondent is considering going on line. More about this in the next column. If you are already on line, then please send your e-mail address and it will be included in the next column. Deadline for next column is Sept. 1.

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Our 20th reunion has passed into history, but not before approximately 400 classmates, spouses and friends spent the weekend reminiscing, revisiting Boston and the Charles River, and taking scores of photos. Classmates from as far away as California and Canada, and as close as Newton and Watertown, made the trek. A memorable time was evidently had by all. Next time we're the silver anniversary class, so don't miss it. During the next five years, may one and all find time to drop a line. • **Steve Hoar** captured his 150th career head hockey coaching victory when his Tufts team defeated Stonehill last January. Steve began as an assistant coach and recruiting director at Army from '78-'84; he then became the top guy at SUNY-Plattsburgh and reached the NCAA finals in his second year, winning the

whole shebang his third. He compiled a .729 winning percentage at Plattsburgh, more than enough to impress aficionados of the game. Following three years as assistant at Tufts, Steve was again named a head coach. He led the Jumbos to a record-tying eleven straight wins, first established in '54-'55, and a berth in the ECAC playoffs for the first time since '90-'91. He now stands third on the Tufts all-time coaching list, while his .628 winning percentage is the best in school history. Congratulations on an impressive milestone! • Last February, a New England School of Law dean's reception was held in honor of **Kathleen O'Toole** at the JFK Library. Held annually, this reception honors members of the school's community who have significantly contributed to the development, reputation and spirit of the institution. Kathleen has served as secretary of public safety since 1994, and received her law degree from New England in 1982. Congratulations!. • A request came in from **Carole Christensen**, who started with our class but graduated in '81 after a stint in the recording business. She'd like to hear from '76ers, the class that's primo in her heart. Presently an art dealer in Sausalito, CA, Carole works the high-end of contemporary art, curating and procuring. She sports a gallery in the Pacific Heights section of San Francisco and employs five people. Her private gallery, in the Russian Hill section, is by appointment. Engaged to Dan Young, she found San Francisco via the Jesuit Exchange Program. Send epistles to Box B43, Sausalito, CA 94966. • **Paul M. Connolly** was recently appointed first VP and COO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. He joined the bank in 1975, and his prior position as senior VP saw him responsible for funds transfer, book entry securities, automated clearinghouse check collection, and US Treasury fiscal operations and services. He denies designing the new Ben Franklin bill, but some are not so sure. Paul earned his MBA from Harvard Business School. He and his wife Anne have two sons, Francis and Matthew; they reside in Milton. • With good health and mirth, let's root for BC to beat ND on the Heights. God bless!

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I know it's hard to believe but our 20th Reunion is less than a year away! **Tom Sullivan** will chair the reunion committee; volunteers, however, are desperately needed to help plan. Contact Tom at 617-229-0777 or fax him at 617-229-5525 if you are interested. • **Paula Gibilisco Arthur** writes from Warren, NJ where she lives with her husband of 16 years, Donald, and their son Timothy, 5. Paula is a software configuration engineer for Dendrite International in Morristown, NJ. • **Kevin Patrick Smith** is VP of sales and marketing at Arbitron New Media in Columbia, MD. His division conducts marketing research on consumers use of media from television to the Internet, and has offices in New York and Washington, DC. Tom married Lynn Ann Uritis in 1994; Lynn is on-site manager for Norrell Temporary Services at the World Bank in Washington, DC. Kevin and Lynn live in Great Falls, VA. • **Martha LoMonaco** is resident theater director at Fairfield Univ. in Connecticut. Martha earned her master's in drama at Tufts and her doctorate in performance studies at NYU. • On a sad note, I received a letter from the parents of **Mark Jared Wagner** asking that I announce Mark's death of complications from the AIDS virus on Dec. 6, 1993. Prior to his death, Mark had served as a lieutenant commander in the Navy, where he was ship's doctor aboard the US Mars SAF-1. A panel dedicated to him will be included in the display of the AIDS quilt in Washington, DC in Oct. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mark's family. • Please keep the news coming. I really enjoy hearing from all of you. More reunion updates to follow throughout the year

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Hi! • **Terrie Perella Pirozzi** and husband Rob are proud to announce the arrival of Christopher James, born March 11. Terrie is vice president of information technology at Work/Family Directions. Rob '80 is in sales at Lotus Development. • **Joseph Blute** has joined the Boston and Washington, DC law firm of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Feris, Glosky and Popeo, PC. He lives in Natick with his wife and three children. • **Karen Morahan Goodwin** lives in Norwood with her husband Bill and three sons. She works as a learning disabilities specialist for the Boston public schools. She is still active in competitive swimming as a member of the New England Master's swim club, and even holds a couple of New England records. In her spare time, she coaches and officiates swimming. • **Edward Sullivan** and his wife welcomed Timothy David Sullivan, born in Nov. '95. They live outside Aspen and enjoy the country. Ed works as a plumber and his wife is an insurance agent. They are avid snowboarders as well as skiers, and hope to have Timmy on the slopes soon. • John Vitali '78 wrote to say that **Jeffrey Kaufman** married Patricia Horrigan on June 26, 1995. Attending the wedding were **Gregory and Lizbeth Stewart** and '78ers Congressman and Mrs. Peter Blute, Peter Cassidy, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Allen, Kelly Elias, Matthew Funchion and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gartland. Notably absent from the festivities were Charles Morris '78 (last seen in the Poconos) and Joseph Staub '78 (last seen in the Mods)! • **Sarah Peavy Carvalho** and husband Phil welcomed Alison Camber Carvalho on April 25. • What have you been up to?

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Our class golf tournament was held at the Atlantic Country Club in Plymouth on May 17th. The winning foursome was made up of **Tom Rose**, **Mike Fee**, **George Barrett** and **Tom Flannery**. They shot a blistering low net of 83. The longest drive was won by Mike Fee, a mammoth drive that just made the fairway. Closest to the pin was won by **Kathy Shay** (who also wanted a prize for the shortest drive) and **David Coughlin**. For putting up with **David Horan**, **Margi Van Buren Dillon** won the Good Sport award. **Peter Tehan**, **Paul Flanagan** and **Frank Colpoys** felt like winners because they did not have to watch **Tom Rose** play golf (he's terrible)! The rain held off and a good time was had by all. • By all accounts our 15th reunion was a great success! Unfortunately, we had the birthdays of two of our children and a family reunion, so we weren't able to make it to the Heights. I am bound and determined not to miss our 20th though!! Many thanks to our reunion committee for a job well done. • Our class treasurer, **Kevin Kraska**, is a VP with Prudential Capital Group, the largest originator and portfolio manager of private placements. Kevin lives with wife Linda and their twin daughters, Caroline and Sarah, 3, in Madison, NJ. • Another member of our reunion committee, **Tom Flannery**, writes that he and wife Gina just had their fourth son, Patrick, on March 1. Patrick joins brothers, Brendan, 9; Sean, 6; and Stephen, 5. Tom has been promoted to partner at Ernst & Young in Boston and works in the financial services practice. The Flannerys live in Hingham and often see many members of our class, including **Dave and Gay Canepa**, **Bob Donovan** and **John Battaglia**. Tom sends his thanks for all of those who

voted for him on the recent alumni ballot. • Kit and **Bob Schumaker** welcomed Patrick on July 11, 1995. Patrick joins brothers Bobby, 10; Jeff, 9; and Will, 8; and sister Julie, 7. The Schumakers live in Bucks County, PA. Bob is regional sales director for Pharmcare, Pharmacy Benefits Managers, a division of CVS. • **Domenic D'Intino** and his wife ran the 100th Boston Marathon in April. It was Domenic's 13th Boston Marathon and his wife's third. Domenic's roommate, **Dr. Tony Gray**, drove them down to Hopkinton the day of the race. Tony, his wife Judy and their two boys live in Boxboro. • I enjoyed hearing from **Mike Fasulo** who wrote for the first time in 15 years. After passing the CPA exam and working for two local firms, Mike started his own practice in '89 in his hometown of Southington, CT. Business grew quickly, and he brought in his partner, Marlene Albini, in Dec. '92. Unfortunately, things did not turn out as well on the personal front for Mike. Mike married in Dec. '90, and in March '92, his wife Doreen was diagnosed with cervical cancer. She lost her battle after 18 months. I know I speak on behalf of all our classmates when I say that our hearts go out to Mike. Mike also reports that his roommate **Michael Kamp** practices law in New Haven where he lives with his wife and children. Mike's best friend from BC, Paul Axelrad, is doing well in New Jersey as a doctor—his wife Jackie is also a doctor. You may recall that Paul left BC after two years and transferred to Emory Univ. Thanks for writing Mike. • **Beth Canavan McCaskey** and husband Douglas welcomed their first child, Isabelle, on June 6, 1995. Along with enjoying being a new mom, Beth is busy with her retail and design business, Accents for the Home, in Southport, CT. • **Eileen O'Connell Unitas** is the proud new mother of fraternal twins, Julia and Daniel, born Oct. 1, 1995 on her 7th wedding anniversary! Eileen and her husband had three children under the age of two for two months! Not surprisingly, Eileen gave up her job as a principal, municipal bond underwriter for Alex, Brown. She reports that life with airlines, hotel rooms, and calculators has been replaced with dirty diapers, bottles a-plenty and constantly full laundry hampers. She and her washing machine are very close! Eileen is still managing to run

the BC Club of Baltimore, though! • **Theresa Devine** was an assistant prof. of economics at Penn State from '87 to '93. She left in Aug. '93 to do research full time at the Univ. of Chicago. Her research was discussed in the *New York Times* and most major US papers. This past year, she was a visiting scholar at the American Bar Foundation in Chicago studying access to social programs. Theresa has loved living in Chicago. • **T.J. McKenna** has opened his own general practice law office at Park Avenue Tower in NYC. T.J. and wife Karen have two sons: Thomas, 5; and Daniel, 4; and were expecting their third child this past March. • **Suzanne Swiney Carroll** had her fourth child, Victoria, in Jan. She joins sister, Madeline, 8; and brothers Joseph, 6; and Gregory, 2. Suzanne was a stockbroker with Dean, Witter, Reynolds, but now enjoys Sesame Street better than Wall Street. Suzanne and husband Joe live in Marlton, NJ and are part-owners of a computer business, ARI Products Inc. with offices in E. Rutherford and Mount Laurel, NJ. • John and **Marie Hennessey** had a baby girl in Oct. '94, Chloe, who joined brothers Sean and Alex. Marie recently had a visit from **Minerva Centeno** who lives in NYC and practices law with Hawkins, Delafield & Wood. • **David Roccasalva** completed a M.Arch. at Catholic Univ. and is currently director of professional development at the American Institute of Architects in Washington, DC. • **Jeanne McGarvie Dunn** and her husband moved to Baltimore from Westchester County, NY in Feb. '92. She attends Johns Hopkins Univ. and will earn a master's in financial management this Dec. They have three sons: Thomas, Christopher and Nolan. • **Dan Arkins** is assistant VP and regional marketing manager for AIG Claims Services, Inc., for the Northeast region. Dan and his wife Cate have three children: Brendan, 6; Elizabeth, 3; and Anna, 6 mos. Dan is a captain in the Army Reserves. • Congratulations to Pete and **Betsy Penna Smith** on the birth of Natalie Rose who joins Joseph, 5 and Megan, 2. • Best wishes to Paul and **Chris Arnao Carlock** on the birth of their twin boys, Kyle and Wyatt, in April. Big brother Kurtis is now 4.

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I hope everyone's having a great summer! • Congratulations to the following classmates who became parents for the first, second, third and yes, fourth times: **Cheryl Frontero O'Keeffe** and husband Jim announce the birth of their son, Brendan James, on April 5. Cannot wait to meet him! The O'Keeffes live in Upper St. Clair, PA. • **Pat Corcoran** and his wife Karen became parents to son Ryan Joseph on March 30. He joins sister Joan and brother Patrick in Rowayton, CT. • **Mary Ann Connolly Shoup** and husband Mark announced the birth of their fourth son, Samuel Joseph, last February. Samuel joins his brothers Timothy, Andrew and Christopher. Mary Ann has retired as a deputy district attorney to stay home with her children. • **Michael and Adrian Chu Redmond** live in Merrimackport with their children, Devin, Conor and Ally. • **Tom and Nannette Gorman** live in Charlotte, NC with their new baby, Brendan James, and his big brother Patrick. • **Cathy Curtin** and her husband became parents of son Matthew last April. • **John Caves** and **Amy Toole** live in Maryland with their three children: Andrew, Ian and newest arrival, Elizabeth Ann. John is employed by the Dept. of Defense as deputy director for plans at the Defense Security Assistance Agency. Amy has put her career on hold indefinitely to be at home with

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their children. • **Lisa Kennedy Edmondson** wrote from the West Coast. She lives in Redondo Beach, CA with husband Kirk and their two daughters, Katie and Carly. Lisa is director of advertising at Team One Advertising. She recently spent time in Chicago visiting with **Measi Dalton O'Rourke** and **Peggy Rice Hoyt**. • **Cindi Bigelow O'Hara** is director of manufacturing at RC Bigelow in Fairfield, CT. • **Martin Rust** now lives in Richmond, VA with his wife Dana and two children, Rebecca and Cameron. He is VP and corporate banker for First Union Corp. He is also on the faculty of William and Mary, teaching an MBA course titled "Multinational Corporate Banking." Martin received his MA in foreign service from Georgetown. • Congratulations to **Gene Roman** on his recent appointment as the Mass. regional director for the Government of Puerto Rico, as announced by the Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration. • **Scott and Ruth Palan Lopez** live in Sharon with son Matthew Benjamin and daughter Sarah Nina. Ruth is a geriatric nurse practitioner employed by Bridgewater Park Medical Associates. Scott is a partner in the law firm of Segal & Feinberg in Boston. • News arrived from **Charlie Busa**, who recently moved to Louisville, KY with his wife Lori and their children, Brittany and Andrew. Charlie is general manager with Demptos Glass. Great talking to you! • **Bruce Pearl** is coach of the Univ. of Southern Indiana basketball team; they won their division with a 20-2 record, making it to the regionals. Bruce and his wife Kim just had their fourth child, Michael. They have

three other children: Jacqueline, Steven and Leah. • **Larry Burak** joined Kappy's Liquors as VP of operations. Larry and his wife Judy have two children, Steven and Alexandra. • **Diane Miller Beckwith** and husband Jason recently had a third child, Gregory. He joins Brian and Kristin at home in Fairfield, CT. • Hello to **Sue Rudder Pierce** and her husband Clint. They live in Cape Elizabeth, ME with their two sons, Matthew and Kevin. • **Jill Flaherty** married Charlie Roy last Sept. on Cape Cod. **Anne Marie Irwin** was the matron of honor. Jill works at Goldencare in Boston; she and Charlie live in Charlestown. Anne Marie and her husband, Brian Callahan, live in Medford with their three daughters: Brenna, Kiely and Kathleen. Jill and Anne Marie are looking for **Gaye Bielski** and **Sue Kurker**. • **Phil and Lisa McLaughlin deCristo** send greetings from Europe, where Phil is head of Fidelity Investments' European business. Phil and Lisa recently moved from England to Luxembourg with their two daughters, Caitlin and Allison. • Thanks to everyone who called or sent letters. It was greatly appreciated.

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Ellen Rodrigues teaches 6th grade at the American International School in Kuwait. • **Jane Gerrior Govoni** is president of the Florida Foreign Language Association and received a PhD in interdisciplinary studies last August. She is an intern supervisor for the Univ. of South Florida, where she also teaches recertification courses—all this while raising her two children, ages 8 and 9! • **Ann Considine** married Jim Russo at Walt Disney World last December. Ann works as a business process analyst at Perkin-Elmer in Wilton, CT. • **David P. Dunne** and **Margaret Peggy Leahy Dunne** joyfully announce the birth of their second son, Ian Finnian, born Oct. 19, 1995 in London, England. Ian joins his sister, Mairéad McKenna Dunne, born January 31, 1994. • **Bill Cassidy** and his wife Annmarie announce the birth of their third child, Madeline, who joins Charlie, 6 and Billy, 2. Bill

works as a nuclear medicine specialist in the SE-region for Elscint, Inc. and lives in Charlotte, NC. He would love to hear from the old St. Gabe's crowd. • **Patty Smith**, CPA, CFE, announces the founding of Smith Carey & Co., Certified Public Accountants and Certified Fraud Examiners, with offices at 33 Broad Street in Boston. Smith Carey & Co. is a full-service management consulting, accounting and tax services firm, serving a variety of industries including biotechnology, hi-tech, and financial services corporations. Also provided are litigation support services, including fraud investigative services, to law firms, the insurance industry, and the general public. Patty invites alumni who are looking for accounting work at a reasonable cost to give her a call at (617) 523-2423. Patty lives in Milton with her husband, attorney Frank A. Smith III '73, Courtney, 10 and Frank Smith IV, 7. Courtney recently performed as Dorothy in the *Wizard of Oz* at Boston Children's Theater and the Quincy School of Performing Arts, while Frank was the Mayor of Munchkinland! • **Marianne Lucas Lescher**, a PhD student in BC's educational research program, passed her doctoral comprehensive exam.

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Joe Baldiga has joined the Worcester law firm of Mirick, O'Connell, DeMallie & Lougee as a senior associate to lead its bankruptcy and workout group. Joe and wife Mary live in Westborough. • **Gary Presto** is employed as a buyer/bids & contracts administrator in the materials management dept. at the Mass. Port Authority. Gary resides in the Back Bay and is also an associate member of the National Association of Purchasing Management. • **Clarke Devereux** recently sold a script about his experiences as an assistant state's attorney in Chicago's Cook County. Dream Works S.K.G., a production company, bought the script entitled "For the People," and is filming a 90-minute pilot with an option for an ABC series. The show will air sometime in the late fall or early part of '97. • **Tim Smith** was

recently elected partner of the Boston law firm Nutter, McClennen & Fish, LLP. Tim works in the firm's real estate and finance dept. He and wife Eileen live in Needham with their three children: Timothy, Colleen and Jamie Anne. • **Mark MacDonald** was recently inducted into West Roxbury's Catholic Memorial High School inaugural athletic Hall of Fame. • Congratulations to **Jim McKay**, who directed the film *Girl's Town*. The film won the Filmmaker's Trophy and special recognition for collaboration at the 1996 Sundance Film Festival. • **Lee Morrissey, PhD** is an assistant professor in the dept. of English at Clemson University in South Carolina. • **John and Jean Marie Iwanicki** welcomed the birth of daughter, Genevieve Sophie, on Oct. 27, 1995. John is a patent attorney at Banner & Allegretti in Boston. • **Cindy Sison Morrissey** and husband Patrick welcomed their first child, Siena Veronica, on Nov. 9, 1995. Cindy is a second grade teacher, and Patrick is a district manager of sales for the Smart Corp. They live in Pacific Beach, CA in San Diego. • Write soon!

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Hello everyone. I hope that you are enjoying the summer. • Congratulations to **Maureen McNicholl** for receiving the 1996 Foreign Language Fellowship Award from the National Endowment for the Humanities. This summer, Maureen is attending the Universite de Nice in Provence, France and researching French festivals. Maureen teaches French and Spanish in Willamette, IL. • **Linda Sawin** is executive director of the Wakefield Chamber of Commerce. • **Jim Moore**, an assistant US attorney in Maine, received the Justice Department's Special Achievement Award for his defense of the US in a series of nine cases last year. Recently Jim has been prosecuting narcotics cases in federal court. • Congratulations to Kathy and Mike Antonello on the arrival of their first child, Richard John, on Feb. 14. The baby was named after Mike's dad, and is called RJ. **John the Hagler Hage** and his wife Lydia

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are RJ's godparents. Mike is working as a show attorney for Disney, and lives in River Forest, IL. • **Adrienne Vena Markisz** was married on May 6 and honeymooned in Europe for two weeks, so unfortunately she missed our reunion last year. **Bill Simeone** and **Cindi Clancy '84** attended the wedding. Adrienne is an account executive for Texas Instruments and lives with her husband John in the Princeton, NJ area. • **Elizabeth Beth Factor** relocated to Mt. Laurel, NJ to accept a VP position with Concorde Clinical Research in Philadelphia. • **Tommy Burke** was entered into the Directors Guild of America last fall. He is doing quite well with his own company, Black Rose Films, which he started in L.A. • **Ken and Wendy Roos** are living in Southern California where Ken works for Executone and Wendy works for Gensia. Their son David turned two in Jan. • Congratulations to Tom and **Sally Tychanich Healy** on the arrival of their daughter, Sarah Cawley, on March 13. The Healys live in Norwalk, CT. • Congratulations to Catherine and **Bob O'Brien** on the arrival of twin boys, Shayne Patrick, 7 lbs., 6 oz., and Trevor James, 7 lbs., 2 oz., on Feb. 26. Bob and Cathy also have a son, Robert E. O'Brien III, born Sept. 14, 1994, godson of **James Ferrera** and grandson of Robert E. O'Brien, Sr. '62. Bob and his dad are both financial consultants for Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith in the Quincy office. • As you can see, the notes are a bit short this quarter due to limited correspondence. Please drop me a note and tell me what is going on in your lives. •

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The reunion was a great success and a lot of fun!! I had my baby, Jonathan Broughton Boyarsky, on May 1, so Bruce and I were in fact able to go to the dinner dance on Saturday night! It was a lovely affair and we saw so many classmates that I might not be able to report about everyone we saw! Please send me a note if I don't mention you! • First news, the Alumni Association collected business cards throughout Reunion Weekend and from them did a drawing for a BC chair. **Diane Helo** was

the winner—congratulations! • We enjoyed seeing **Maria Harkins** and promised her first billing in this column. She recently retired from a career as a senior publicist with Disney to stay home with her daughter, Quinn. She and her husband live in Larchmont, NY. • **Sue Paseos Root** lives in New Canaan, CT, is a physical therapist, and has a daughter, Alexandra. • **Amy Caliendo**, living in Fairfield, CT, is in sales for Paul Mitchell Hair Care. • **Lisa D'Alessandro** lives with her husband on Cape Cod and is a regional sales rep. • **Bob Fanning** made the trip to the reunion from Afton, MO, where he lives with wife Debbie and two children. He is in sales for a pipe and valve company. • **Bert Lynch** is sales operations manager for Northeast Mobile and lives in Framingham with wife Kathy and kids, Caroline, 2 and Albert, IV, 1. • **Dawn Hannaway** is a teacher in Rhode Island, where she and her husband live with two little children. • **Cece Glavin** and her husband are relocating to CA. They have a son, Arthur. • **Nina Gramaglia** is a partner in the advertising firm Ogilvy and Mather in Manhattan. • **Karen Meyers** is the TV anchor for the NBC affiliate in Lebanon, NH. She does the 6 and 11 o'clock news! Watch for her if you get up that way! • **Karen McCafferty** is in advertising for Hill, Holiday, Connors and Cosmopolous in Boston and lives on Beacon Hill. • **Bobby Duran** is an insurance broker in NYC, where he lives with his wife and daughter. • **Gayle Naas Murphy** lives in Westchester County with husband Brian and three sons! • **Robert Gouzo Gonzales-Molina** is a dentist in NYC and has a Dec. wedding planned. • **Billy Bishop** owns three bars in NYC and lives in Westchester County with wife and son, Billy, Jr. • **Maureen Ward Kirby** and **Stuart Shanus** have recently been named partners in the same law firm in Chicago, Bell, Boyd and Lloyd. Congratulations! • **Maria Judith Ramos** was recently engaged to Eric Cottrell and is planning to be married this fall in Puerto Rico. • I recently had a lovely letter from **Rob Raffaele** who is a TV news writer for WUSA, the CBS affiliate in Washington, DC. Good luck in your new job, Rob! • Hello and congratulations to **Patty Cook** who recently married Dr. Sven Arntzen. Patty is moving to Norway, where she will be learning the language and continuing her career

as a documentary film maker. • Tim and **Therese Stepanek** are pleased to announce the birth of their third child, Kirsten, who joins Timmy, 3 and Kaitlyn, 1. Congrats! • **Diane Moriarty** is a radiologist on Long Island and the new mom of daughter, Caroline. • Well, I saw lots of other classmates and really enjoyed visiting with you, but that's all I can remember—so please send me letters and I'll be sure to include all the news in the next column! Take care!

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Greetings! I hope you all had a fun, relaxing summer and are looking forward to another great football season. Our class will be blocking tickets again, this time for the October 26 game against Syracuse, so check your mail for details. I had a lot of people drop me lines, so let's get into it! • Lots of new babies were born this year. Congratulations to **David and Shawn Curren Widell** on the birth of their son, Daniel David, in April. He joins sister Corinne, who turned two in August. They're all living in Jacksonville. • **Therese Doucette Stepanek** and husband Tim welcomed Kirsten Ashley in February. She joins Timmy, 3 and Kaitlyn, 1 at home in Lyndhurst, OH. • **Dan Clare** and wife Jacqui had their first baby, Katherine Mary, in March. Dan is a software engineer at the Foxboro Co., and is also completing an MS in electrical engineering at BU. • **Sue Roche McGinty** also had her first, Molly Elizabeth, in October '95. She's a financial manager at Harvard Planning and Real Estate in Cambridge. She and husband Kevin LAW '90 live in Weston. • I received a nice card from **Suzanne Lavin O'Connor**, who lives in the Philly area with husband Tom and son Tommy, 1. Suzanne works part-time as a sports marketer and shared this news: **Kelly Mooney Tague** and husband Vincent have two children: Vincent, 4 and Madeline, 3; **Aileen Mitchell Magee** and husband Chris live in the Philly area and work for Chubb Insurance; **Agnes Gillin Gayhardt** is working part-time for the Phillies, and she and husband Don are busy with son Kevin, 1; **Lisa Molina Heaps** and her husband Bob

'85 are about to leave DC for a 2-year stint in Guam. Lisa currently works part-time as a nurse in Georgetown and they have a daughter Caitlin, 1; **Sara McGovern** is a senior account executive with Lewis and Partners in San Francisco; **Jim Higgins** and **Kathleen Lortman** live in Basking Ridge, NJ. Jim is a financial officer with Merck and Kathy is an insurance executive; **JR Beretta** resides in Jamestown, RI where he works for his family's business; **Biz Jones** is leasing commercial real estate in DC; and **Toby O'Brien** and his wife Kathleen have a new baby, Tommy III, and live in Pittsburgh. • **Jennifer Benson Buckley** also wrote in with a lot of news. She and husband **Tom Buckley** live in San Francisco, where Jennifer works for Cintas Corp. as a sales rep. and Tom is a lawyer with Sterling & Clack. She sends hellos to her roomies from Walsh Hall—**Sue, Gwyneth and Lisa. Tina Eng** and her husband John Chu also live in San Francisco. **Mary Elizabeth Riordan** and her husband Sven Karlsson were married in August '95 and live in Piedmont, CA. Mary Liz attends UC-Berkeley for her doctorate in education. **Anne DelVecchio** lives in Seattle. **Ann Healy Perry** and husband Steve recently moved from Memphis back to the Boston area with daughter Katherine. **David Kaiser** and wife Jennifer have two kids, Ned, 4 and Sara, 2. He's still operating the Mattapoissett Boatyard. • **Robert Levy** also wrote with some news. After graduation, he received his master's in chemistry from BC, then went on to the BU School of Medicine, where he received his MD/MPH degree in May. He's going into ophthalmology and will do his residency at Case Western Reserve in Ohio. **Neil Meehan** graduated from osteopathic school and is now in his second year as an ER resident at UMass. **Brian Steckel** married an Irish woman after graduating from the Univ. of Galway Medical School. He's in residency at the Berkshire Medical Center in Massachusetts. **Cathleen Croke** is working for Parke-Davis Pharmaceuticals and lives in Quincy. And finally, congratulations to **Jim Shea**, who married Sue Ellen Ortego in New Orleans. Jim received his JD from Emory Univ. and has his own law practice in Atlanta, where they live. • Thanks to all of you who took the time to write in; you're the column!

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I hope the summer was great for all. There were not too many letters this time—but here's what we have. **Kelly and Bryan Stenberg** are the proud parents of their first child, Kyle Brown, born May 26. Congratulations! • **Kelly Egan** married Christian Pariseault, a St. Michael's grad, in April '95. Her sister Pam '92 was the maid of honor; Lauren Griffin '87 and **Sue Lucas** were bridesmaids. Kelly received her master's in education from UMass Boston and teaches 3rd grade teacher in Andover where they are living. Sue Lucas recently married Kelly's brother, Chris '87. • **Bill Dillihunt** lives in London, where he works as an oil trader at Shell International Trading & Shipping Co. • This is the update on the girls from Mod 7A: **Tracey Tully** is a reporter for the *Times Union* newspaper in Albany, NY. Previously, Tracey was at the *Jersey Journal* in Jersey City. • **Cheryl Palmer Ohlson** married Barry Ohlson in July '94. After finishing her master's, she's now a PhD candidate in special education at George Washington Univ. in Washington, DC. • **Angie Mataya O'Hara** married Rich O'Hara in Nov. '95. Angie received an MBA from NYU and currently manages financial planning at A&E Television Networks in NYC. • **Marie Mackay** received both a master's and a PhD in social psychology from Loyola Univ. of Chicago. Marie currently works in Boston at Cambridge Reports, a research firm. She is engaged to Dean Murphy, and a Sept. '96 wedding is being planned. • **Julie Chapman Griffin** married Danny Griffin in Dec. '93. Julie received a master's in physical therapy from BU. She, Danny and their baby, Stephanie (born Oct. '95) live on the Cape. • **Tricia Docherty** lives in Minneapolis where she works at a law firm

and attends law school. • **Tim Lemire** married Elizabeth Nelson at St. John's Cathedral in Milwaukee, WI. Those in the wedding party were **Michael Robinson** and wife **Michele Troy**, **Ernest Grumbles**, **Ellen Roggensack Brostrom** and Shayla Elizabeth Greene '87. Others in attendance were **Steve Ready**, **David Smith**, **Katie Travis** and **Lisa Klingabiel**. Liz and Tim currently live in Ann Arbor, where Liz is the gallery director of the Ann Arbor Art Center, the city's largest educational-arts-non-profit. Tim graduated from the MFA program in creative writing at UMichigan, where he will be teaching freshman English in the fall. • **Corinne Gill** recently completed her PhD at St. John's Univ. and is doing a postdoctoral fellowship at the Institute of Living in Hartford, CT. • **Susan Brodbeck** was engaged to John Agnew, an asst. VP of high yield trading at Nomura Securities Internat'l in NYC. Sue is an attorney at the law firm of McCarter & English in Newark, NJ. A Nov. 23 wedding is planned. • **John Taylor**, who studied Russian at BC, recently returned from Moscow, Warsaw and the Republic of Uzbekistan where he worked in internat'l corporate accounting. John presently works for IBM as an internal auditor and is back getting a grad degree in accounting. He is also involved in Boston area triathlons and completed a bicycle journey from Maine to Florida in '95. • **P.J. Szufnarowska** is an art teacher at the May Sands Educational Child Center in Key West, FL. She and her students recently completed an award winning 10' x 30' colorful mural with an environmental theme on the front of the school. P.J. moved to Key West in '91 and lives on her sailboat, Swan Song, in Boca Chica Bay.

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Paul Day graduated from the MBA program at Univ. of Texas at Austin in May. He and his wife Paula have moved to Dallas where Paul is working for IBM. • **Greg Redmond** and **Erika Lynch** were married March 9 in St. Petersburg, FL (they met at

our 5th year reunion!). After a European honeymoon, they settled in Washington, DC where Erika is a nurse, and Greg is a corporate lawyer. The following '90ers were in the wedding party: Collin Hite, Jennifer Labus, Doug Mack, Greg Montana, Tom Sullivan, Mary Beth Vanderslice and Paul Whiting. • **Anders Johncke** married Barbara Clifford on April 13 in Stuart, FL. Andy is manager of a venture capital firm in Palm Beach, and Barbara is an ultrasound technician. They recently purchased a home in Palm Beach Gardens, FL. • **Doug Mack** will wed Jennifer Holmes on New Year's Eve in Boston. Doug is a consultant with McKinsey and Co. in Stamford, CT, and Jennifer is a manager at Prodigy, Inc. in New York. They will live in Darien. • **Paul Whiting** married Dana Weninger '92 Aug. 31 in Chicago. Paul finished his first year of the MBA program at the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth College. He served as a consultant with the Parthenon Group in Boston this past summer. • **Collin Hite** graduated from the Southern Methodist Univ. Law School in '93. He now lives in Miami and since graduating has been an assistant attorney general for the State of Florida. • **Greg Montana** is a second VP for Chase Manhattan Bank in New York. In the fall Greg will begin working on his MBA at the Wharton School at UPenn. • **Bob McGrath**, who also got his MBA from BC in '92, is assistant VP of mortgage banking at Ipswich Savings Bank. Bob is responsible for mortgage origination in southern Essex County. He also published a case study in Prof. Judy Gordon's text, *Organizational Behavior*, which dealt with organizational politics and was co-authored by Prof. Jack Lewis from CGSOM. • **Greg Tocco** has established the Hydrocephalus Foundation, in existence since '95. As a sufferer of this condition since the age of 14, Greg desired to create a means to provide emotional and financial support to patients and their families, as well as to educate the public about hydrocephalus and to support neurological research pertaining to this condition. For more information about Greg's work write: Hydrocephalus Foundation, 23 Terrace Park, Reading, MA 01867. • **Mary Jo Cunha** and Sean Carabatsos were married on June 29 in Lowell; **Mike Sousa** was an attendant, and **Tricia Dussault**,

Laura Fitzgerald and Marielle Moe Langlois did readings. Mary Jo is presently attending Tufts for her doctorate in cell biology, and Sean is working for an auction house. Tricia Dussault is also engaged to Bill Puglisi, and a Nov. 16 wedding is planned. Moe Langlois is likewise engaged and will be married sometime in spring '97. • **John H. Harrington** married Bethany Whitney Ronk on April 13 in W. Roxbury. His twin, **Mark E. Harrington**, was the best man. **Justin G. Maiona**, **Paul McElhinney**, **Michael Valkanas** and **Mary Ellen Downey** attended the grand event. John and Bethany live in Newton Centre. John works for Fidelity & Research Co. in Boston. Mark works for Senator Domenici (R-New Mexico) in Washington, DC on environmental litigation. • **Michelle Moran** and **Jim Moriarty** got engaged Christmas morning. They will marry on October 13. Two of Jim's old roomies are also getting married this fall: **Brian Decelles** (to Gretchen McGuinness) and **Brad Canavan**. • **Lisa Lee Ryan** married Tim Laughlin Sept. 7 in Wolfeboro, NH. **Melissa DeMayo Settlers** was maid of honor. Lee and Tim live in Boston, where Lee has started Fearless Media, her own World Wide Web site design and Internet consulting firm. Lee can be reached at leeryan@fearlessmedia.com and on the World Wide Web at <http://www.fearlessmedia.com>. • **P.J. McNealy's** life as a sportswriter is behind him; he is currently a communications consultant for William M. Mercer in the Boston office. Although the need for income over the poverty level drove him from journalism, he continues to dabble with his wine column, "Bacchus Briefs," in the *Middlesex News*. P.J. lives in Dedham and runs wine seminars around the Boston area. He has also done some radio talk shows about wine, and does wine consulting for weddings on the side. P.J. is the proud godfather of his niece, Erin Paige, born April 29.

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Hello all! Here we are at the end of another summer and here's your news: **Glória Ines Lara** and

Desmond P. FitzGerald were married on Aug. 24 in Bogota, Columbia. Gloria will receive her MBA and MA in international relations from BU in Dec. Desmond graduated from New England School of Law and took the Florida and Mass. Bar this summer. He works in a small Boston law firm. • **Marisa Mariniello** married John P. MacEvoy on May 14, 1995. They live in Verona, NJ. Classmates in the ceremony included **Doris Smith, Anne Bilodeau, Elizabeth West, and Pam West**. Marisa teaches second grade. • During the summer '95, three '91ers: **Michael Dolan, Jim Doyle and Tim Minihan** (along with Dave Joncas from Holy Cross) created "Wheels for America" and rode their bicycles from San Francisco to Boston for the American Cancer Society. They raised \$80,000 and visited six cancer centers along the way. **Chris Harootunian**, alias Sheriff Chris, drove the support van and acted as manager. • **Karin Anglin** landed the lead role of her first TV series for PBS. After filming in Palm Springs and San Francisco in March, Karin lived in Boston last spring to finish filming the project produced by WGBH. • **Mark Dawson** married Maryann Argus on Nov. 18, 1995 in Canton. Those at the wedding included: Peter Vlerick, Jeff Ellsworth, Matt Brennan, Tim Chamberlain, Rob Desantis, Jonathan Bray and Kurt Weinsheimer. Mark is a partner in the Vision Consulting Group in Boston. Maryann is a second grade teacher in Franklin. • After four years of post-college living in Boston, **Ana Garcia Doyle** finally and happily moved back home to Chicago. She took a job with a subsidiary of her Beantown employer, Houghton Mifflin, and is now working as an associate marketing manager in Evanston. In Oct. '95, Ana married **Jim Doyle**, the same Jim mentioned above who biked across country for the American Cancer Society. They had almost 40 '91 grads at their wedding in downtown Chicago. Among them were Michele Casey and Nedra Cox (who were bridesmaids), Chris O'Connor, Luc Morelli, and Desmond Ryan (who were groomsmen), Don and Lynn D'Jamoos Armstrong, Mike Driscoll, Mike Dolan, Chris Harootunian, Bijan and Lauren Regan Sabet, Tim and Renee Rabeni Minahan, Michell Rehmann Tolod, Kim Mai, Kathy Carton, Elise Brayton, Dave Ink Penn, Pam

Parker, Bea Maloney Kaleva, Tony Barrell, Tony Boo Gioffre, Paul Darling, Joe Bruno, Lisa Terranova, and Chris Clark. They honeymooned in the Costa Rican rainforest. Jim got his CPA and works for Arthur Andersen Worldwide in Chicago. Ana and Jim invite everyone to drop them a line on the internet: ana_garci_doyle@hmco.com and james.j.doyle@ArthurAndersen.com. • **Michelle Rehmann Tolod** celebrated her marriage to Joe last Sept.; while **Nedra Cox** and **Marc Fabito** prepare for a Nov. '96 wedding. Michelle works for a local high-tech PR firm; Nedra is in the buying group for Spiegel/Eddie Bauer; and Marc is practicing insurance law. • **Mike Dolan** is also local, working in the media planning division of Hal Riney & Partners. Marc was accepted to UMichigan's MBA program for the fall. • **Lynn D'Jamoos** married **Don Killer Armstrong** in Aug. '95. They live in Harvard Square. Lynn received a double master's in early childhood/special needs in '94 from BC and now teaches kindergarten in Littleton, while Don works as a firstline manager at State Street Bank in Boston while taking business classes at Harvard extension. • **Michele Casey** and **Mike Driscoll** were married over the July 4th weekend in NJ. Michele finished a two-year program teaching math to high school students through JIV in Belize. Mike works for Prudential Healthcare. • Take care everybody and write more letters!

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Here's the latest news. **Karen Browne** is an outpatient therapist with Community Council of Nashua, NH. • **Dr. Kimberly Raymond** and John Friend were engaged on May 14. They both graduated from UMDNJ Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and will both be starting a family practice/sports medicine residency in July. They will be living and working in Concord, NC. • **Regina Petsche** married Alan Garrick of Galway, Ireland on June 29. They live in Arlington, VA. Regina graduated from George Washington Univ. with a master's degree in counseling. • **Jennifer**

Cenedella works in sales management at National Trade Publications in Alexandria, VA. She is engaged to Christopher Maggio. • **Maureen Monahan, Dawn Feeley** and **Kevin Keating** visited **Jen Duffy** in Seattle at the Univ. of Washington during spring break. They traveled to Vancouver, BC and found it to be a great place for a mini-reunion. • **Adam Hurtjise** graduated from New England School of Law in Boston this May, with Chris Novello, Steve Gibello, Jerry Jennings, Steve Garuto and Jim Scamby. They dedicated their graduation program to **Kevin Rappa**, who lost a heroic battle with leukemia on April 4, 1995. Adam passed the Mass. bar exam and works as an assistant account executive with Regan Communications, a prominent Boston public relations firm. • **Heide Bronke** finished her master's in international relations with Troy State University's overseas division. She will be in the Army for another year. She's polishing her French and looking for a different job overseas. • **Geoffrey Chan** spent two years at Dartmouth Medical School and finished his medical degree at Brown. His residency is at New England Medical Center in Boston. He'll be living near Cleveland Circle. • **Jamie Oberman** graduated from Tufts University School of Medicine in May. He's now at Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Virginia as a pediatrics intern, serving his naval obligation. • **Erik Hueter** graduated from the Univ. of Kansas Medical School in May. His internal medicine residency is at Emory in Atlanta. Anyone who can't find lodgings for the Olympics is invited over. Erik recently met up with **Bill Cronin** and **Brian Spellman** in Myrtle Beach to play golf. • Here's an update from the girls of Mod 17B: **Kelly Concannon** married Steve Cicchino in Lexington. They live in Baltimore. **Carrie Herbert** and **Rosem Maikas** are finishing their fourth year of medical school. **Caroline Croley** moved to Austin, TX where she works for Houghton Mifflin. **Gina Hager** and husband **Mark Moitoso** recently bought their first house. **Judith Daly** and **Kelly** both teach second grade. Carrie, Judith, Gina, Kelly and Caroline all went to visit **Janis Sorbello** in Chicago and had a great time. • **Richard Hill** graduated from BC's MBA program last August. In September, he moved to NYC and works for Inno-

vative Sourcing as director of marketing and communications. In January, he got engaged to Loren Levins, whom he will marry next May on Long Island. They adopted a puppy called Samantha, a gorgeous Mattiese. • **David Denman** is finishing up his first year in the philosophy PhD program at UC-Davis. Both he and his wife, Kristina Casper Denman, received their MAs from ASU in May. Kristina works at the California Regional Primate Center with baby monkeys. • **Richard Sinopoli** is an account manager at Nestle Brands Food Service Co. in Mass. • That's all the news for now; thanks for all the mail!

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Happy 1996 football season! I hope everyone had terrific summers and that you are all enjoying a return to home, school, work or anything you were able to put on the shelf for the sunny months. Before I leap into this article, I need to announce that, after this issue, I will no longer be including engagement and "babies on the way" announcements. Please keep me informed as the wedding dates and "small wrinklies" arrive so that I am sure to include your news for everyone at that time. Congratulations to all our married and engaged classmates: • **Kristina Driscoll** and **Paul Carey** were married in Sept. '95 and now reside in Quincy. • **Paula Picolo** and **Michael**

KEEP IN TOUCH

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Minella were married in June '95 and reside in Brighton. • **Vallisa Signore** and Christopher Thorpe were married July 6 and reside in Portsmouth, VA. • **Caroline Crotty** and Nicolas Gutilla were married on Aug. 3 and are living in Boston. • **Jennifer Lynn** was recently engaged to Paul McAndrew. They are currently living in Newton, but will be relocating to Philadelphia in Aug., where Jennifer will be attending the Medical College of Penn. • **Lisa Marchand** was married to Scott Kneif on Aug. 12, 1995. The couple is now living in Tauton. • **John Pierantoni** and **Andrea Pusi** were married in Sept. '95 at St. Ignatius and are now living in Manhattan. • **Rachel Creutz** and **Travis Rhodes** were engaged over the Christmas '95 holiday. • And in other news: After three years at P&G Caribbean, **Ana Agrelot** will be attending Univ. of Texas at Austin Graduate School of Business to get her MBA. • **Heather Cody** began working for the Professional Services Group at PeopleSoft, a software company in CA. She has been traveling the country, helping upgrade new versions of software, and has enjoyed the opportunity to play and coach volleyball. • Heard from **Julie LeBlanc** who is currently living in Albany, NY where she continues to work for Procter & Gamble as an account exec. • **Michael Previte** is studying for his PhD in chemistry at BC. • **Caroline Davis** is an MBA student at Georgia Tech where she is studying marketing and management information systems. Caroline should complete her studies in June '97. • **Robin Kramich** has begun studying for her master's in theology. • **Jose Garcia** has finally (wised up and) parted ways with Morgan Stanley. He will be attending business school at Harvard this fall. • **Bonnie De Cristoforo**, **Michele Campisi**, **Heather Sandison**, **CarolAnn Michaelson** and **Julie Olivieri** would like to announce that they are not engaged, married or pregnant—but are still open to offers. Heard from **Bonnie** who is an account exec. at an ad agency in FL where she continues to work toward her MBA. An "ER"-inspired **Michele** has been in touch from medical school where she has completed her third year and is preparing to join the ranks in emergency medicine. • **Carl Kallen** left Venezuela in Dec. '95 for the Stockholm School of Economics and, I expect, has now completed his

thesis to graduate with a master's in international business and economics. **Carl** returned in Aug. to look for work in the US. • **Corinne Mulcahy** and **Gina Suppelsa** were spotted in Ireland—rumor has it they managed to integrate more with the sheep than the "Paddys". • **Al Jurgela** has recently researched his latest work, "An American's guide to the seedier side of London". • That's it for this time around—look forward to your letters and news!

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"Boston College: A legacy of excellence" was the theme for Fr. Monan's farewell address earlier this spring. This extraordinary event covered Fr. Monan's 22-year reign of BC with insightful speeches from alumni, faculty and students. Much of BC's growth and expansion came from his knowledge, love and dedication. Fr. Monan, the Class of '94 salutes your years of hard work and inspiration to us all. The legacy of excellence you provided lives on through the alumni. • **Greer Wasso** married **Steven Hanson** on May 26 on Cape Cod. They traveled to Greece for their honeymoon. • **Sarah Bradshaw** and **Christian Wise** were married on June 8. • **Christine Verdeack** was married in June to her hometown sweetheart. • **Kristen Nystrom** and **Dan Mellitt** were married on Aug. 10. **Kristen** is a grad student at BC, and **Dan** is a financial analyst with General Data in Connecticut. • **Katie Lane** and **Eddie Arriola** are going to be married in Sept. in Maine. **Katie** works for SEI in Pennsylvania in export trade finance, and **Eddie** works in Miami. They will be living in Miami after the wedding. • **Nicole Poselli** and **Steven Gooch Getcher** were married on Aug. 17. • **Bob Shea** is engaged to his hometown sweetheart; the wedding is set for Oct. Congratulations and good luck! • I wish the best to those of us who are returning to school. • **Margaret G. Keene** is employed at Sotheby's Auction House in Philadelphia. She is an administrator for the trust and estates division and has been accepted to UPenn for a master's in historic preservation. • **Mindi Bravo** was accepted to Columbia Univ. for a

PhD in psychology. • **Christine Arascada** is attending Suffolk University Law School and is spending the summer in Denver with a criminal law internship. • We welcome the following classmates back to Boston: **Brian King** is back working for Arthur Andersen Consulting. **Christopher Greco** moved back from Pennsylvania and is working for Fidelity. **Kristina Torrisi** and roommate **Anne Lassotovitch** working for Children's Hospital in the cardiac unit. • **Maribeth Diver** is working as a labor and delivery nurse in rural New Mexico. As of this letter, she has delivered five babies. Hey, **Maribeth**—keep 'em comin'! • Summer is an exciting and eventful time. Don't forget to write in and share your news—it may brighten up all those winter blues.

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Greetings to the Class of 1995! No one has written to me, so I can only presume that you are all hard at work and play! • In the last column I had so much news to share, I could not include the dedicated Jesuit Volunteers of the Northwest, so here they are: In Oregon: **Maggie Driscoll** works at the West Salem Clinic, **Rob Weinsheimer** works at St. Luke's Parish in Woodburn, **Jay Reblondo** is at Rogue Valley Fair Share in Medford, and in Portland **Kathy Krause** is at Network Behavioral Health Care and **Nicole Solis** is at Albina Ministerial Alliance. In Washington: **Seattlites** include **Rachel Finkle** working at St. Martin's on Westlake, **Kimberly Keating** at the Downtown Emergency Service Center, **Jennifer Molyneaux** at the Broadway Emergency Shelter and **Brian Walsh** at The Giving Tree. In Yakima, **Denise O'Donnell** works at Interfaith Volunteer Services and **Kara Rooney** works at St. Vincent de Paul. In Tacoma, **Donna Savage** works at Nativity House. **Danielle Gennardo** works at Florence Crittenton Home in Helena, MT and **Aimee Cullen** works at ARC of Anchorage in Anchorage, AK. I continue to work as a Jesuit Volunteer in Mesa, AZ and plan to stay here in the months to come. For me, it's not time to make a change; however, I

bet for many of you it is, so keep me posted on engagements, romances, births, promotions, graduations, travels, triumphs, adventures and everything and anything else you would like to share. I would be thrilled to hear from all of you, so when time permits, send me a note or e-mail the Alumni Association at AlumniComments@hermes.bc.edu.

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John Kelly '81 of Dorchester has been named director of management information systems for Abington Savings Bank. He is responsible for managing the daily operations of the data processing department, and for strategic planning for the bank's future information systems needs. Congratulations, **John**. • **Jeanne Salvucci '84** ran and finished the Boston Marathon in 4 hours, 40 minutes. Also, **Jean** was recently promoted to VP of administration at Fallon, Hines & O'Connor, a commercial and real estate brokerage firm. Congratulations, **Jeanne**, on both accomplishments. • **Brian Small** of Silver Spring, MD wrote me a letter a year ago to let me know that he is studying to be a Franciscan priest and is attending Washington Theological Union in Silver Spring, just outside the nation's capital. Last summer, **Brian** attended McGill University's summer session in Montreal and took an intensive French language course. **Brian** stated in his letter, "my time at the Evening College is one of my fondest memories in life. They were good years, and I'll never forget BC." • If you have any news, please write me. I wish all of you a very restful and relaxing summer.

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Rev. Patrick Ebosele Ekpu, MA '69 sociology, was appointed Metropolitan Archbishop of the newly created Ecclesiastical Province of

Benin City, Nigeria. He was invested with the pallium in Saint Peter's Basilica, Rome, in '94. • **Frederic J. Foley**, MA '61 English, first published *The Great Formosan Impostor* in '68; it was reissued in '92. It has been reviewed lately in *Monumento Serica* no. 42, *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society* (series 3,3,2), *Encuentros En Catay* No. 7, and *The Adelaide Review*, No. 107. • **William Harmless, SJ**, PhD '90 religion/education, has been appointed to the new Thomas E. Caestecker Chair in Liberal Arts at Spring Hill College in Mobile, AL. He has recently published "Augustine and the Catechumenate." • **Robert H. Barney Oldfield**, MST '73 geology, recently became an AZ registered geologist. • **Kathleen Paul**, PhD '92 history, is assistant professor at Univ. of S. Florida and has published: "White Washing Britain: Race and Empire and Citizenship since 1945." • **Roy R. Robson**, PhD '92 history, is assistant professor of history at Fayetteville State Univ. in N. Carolina, and has recently published a new book—*Old Believers in Modern Russia*. • **Robert Savage**, PhD '93 history, has recently published "In Irish Television, the Political and Social Origins." • **Anne M. Shaughnessy**, MA '90 English, has been awarded a stipend by the National Endowment for the Humanities. She will attend a summer seminar entitled "Virginia Woolf's Major Novels" at Regents College, London, England. • **Margaret Galligan Sheil**, MA '69 English, was promoted to associate professor of English at the State Univ. of New York, College at Oneonta; she had served five years as the English department chair.

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Joyce Bailey Vasi MS '89 is the first certified nurse mid-wife to join the medical staff of Charlton Memorial Hospital in Fall River, where she delivered her first baby on Nov. 20, 1995. She is currently working at the offices of Highland Obstetrics and Gynecology in Fall River. • **Meribah Meb Stanton** '56, MS '66, has retired but is keeping busy. She is coordinator and teacher in the nursing assistant program at Sandwich Community School. She is active in programs in rehabilitation in LTC for Medical Education Systems, and she is coordinator for a volunteer program in a school in Falmouth. • **Virginia Walker Mapes** MS '81 has been appointed to director of patient care services at St. Bernadine Medical Center, San Bernadino, CA. She and her husband, Kenneth, a chemical engineer, reside in Southern Calif. and can be reached at 45369 Camino Monzon, Temecula, CA 92592. Ginny would love to hear from her BC classmates!

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Former US Senator **Warren B. Rudman** '60 has been elected to the board of trustees of the Brookings Institution of Washington, DC. He currently is a partner in the law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison. • **Frederic N. Halstrom** '70 recently published an article in *The Trial Magazine*, a national publication of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. The article focuses on how a fact-finder can determine partial loss of earning capacity. Halstrom is a personal injury lawyer with his own Boston firm, Halstrom

Law Offices, PC. • **Jay D. Blitzman** '74 has been named a judge on the Middlesex County Juvenile Court. He had been director of the Youth Advocacy Project of the Roxbury Defenders Unit of the Committee for Public Counsel Services in Boston. • **Arlene Violet** '74 has been inducted into Rhode Island's Heritage Hall of Fame. Now practicing law in Providence, she was the first woman in the country to be elected as a state attorney general. • **Denise C. Moore** '76 recently was elected president of the Central Middlesex County Bar Association. She has a private law practice based in Lexington. • **The Hon. Thomas M. Finneran** '78 has been named house speaker of the Mass. State Legislature. • **Judy Willis** '79 has been promoted to senior VP of business affairs at Mattel, Inc. in El Segundo, CA. Most recently, she served as VP and assistant general counsel for the company. • **Cheryl M. Cronin** '80 has opened the Boston law firm of Hoopes & Cronin. She previously was an attorney with the firm of Joyce & Joyce, also in Boston. • **Joseph T. Hobson** '81 has joined the law firm of Staack & Klemm, PA in Clearwater, FL where he focuses on criminal and civil trial advocacy. He previously was a trial attorney with the Office of Public Defender in both Pasco and Hillsborough Counties, FL. • **Mark C. Perlberg** '81 has been named senior VP and division president of the international markets division of the John H. Harland Co. in Atlanta, GA. He previously was an area VP of Western Union Financial Services International, a subsidiary of First Financial Management Corp. • **Julia Shaw** '82 has become VP and general counsel of DuPont Dow Elastomers LLC in Wilmington, DE. She previously was counsel for DuPont. • **David A. Tibbetts** '82 has been named secretary of economic affairs for Mass. He had been general counsel and chief of staff for the agency. • **Ann Ryan-Small** '83 has become a partner in the Boston law firm of Ferriter, Scobbo, Sikora, Singal, Caruso & Rodophele, PC. • **Peter J. Haley** '84 a partner in the Boston law firm of Gordon & Wise, has been elected president of the board of trustees of the Mass. Association for the Blind. • **Virginia S. Smith** '84, who specializes in real estate law and estate planning and administration, has become a partner in the Pittsfield law firm of

Grinnell, Dubendorf & Smith. • **Maria Holland Law** '85 has joined the Manchester, NH office of the law firm of Peabody & Brown. She is an associate in the firm's corporate group. She previously was an associate with the law firm of McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton, PA. • **Kevin S. Wrege** '86 is now general counsel of the Cable Television Commission for Mass. He previously was senior counsel to the State Rating Bureau of the Mass. Division of Insurance. • **K. Joy Banach** '87 has been promoted to general counsel for Center Financial Corp. of Waterbury, CT. • **Colin A. Coleman** '87 has opened the Needham law firm of Condon & Coleman. He previously was an attorney with Edwards & Angell in Boston. • **Jon R. Roellke** '87 has become a partner in the law firm of Howrey & Simon. He is based in its Washington, DC office. • **Timothy M. Smith** '87 recently was elected a partner in the Boston law firm of Nutter, McClellan & Fish, LLP. He is an attorney in the firm's real estate and finance department. • **Jeffrey L. Jonas** '88 has been named a member of the law firm of Brown Rudnick Freed & Gesmer. He practices in the firm's banking and finance department in Boston. • **Stephen F. Lynch** '91 has been elected to the Mass. State Senate. Previously a state representative, he takes the Senate seat vacated by **William M. Bulger** '61, who has become president of UMass. • **Damon C. Anastasia** '92 has been appointed to the advisory board of Angel's Flight, an emergency shelter for homeless youth in L.A. He is an attorney with the law firm of Adams, Duque & Hazeltine, also in L.A. • **Kevin Coleman** '93 is now an associate in the San Francisco office of the law firm of Rosenblum, Parish & Isaacs. He previously held two judicial clerkships with the US Bankruptcy Courts in Santa Ana and San Bernardino, CA. • **Leslie Hirsch** '95 is now a staff attorney with the criminal division of the Legal Aid Society of NYC. • **Kristen M. Schuler** '96 will become an associate with the Washington, DC law firm of Howrey & Simon in Sept. • *In Memoriam:* **Daniel F. Carney** '38; **William F. Farrell** '38; **Seymour Yellin** '41; **William B. Hickey** '47; **Henry E. Quarles Jr.** '59; **Henry M. Kelleher** '60; **Charles Orcutt Jr.** '62; **Helen Slotnick Kupperman** '66.

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“activist” anonymously told a newspaper reporter that JDM’s problem was a habit of “harking back to the ancients almost as a defense when faced with the real problems of today,” and the BC student newspaper, *The Heights*, published an editorial in which the writer called JDM “ignorant of the realities of Boston College (and occasionally, I have thought, of the last two or three decades as well).” And then he harrumphed this gem: “The presidency is still vacant.”

IN 1991 THE BOSTON GLOBE MAGAZINE published a very acute Q&A with JDM to mark, approximately, the 20th anniversary of his presidency. The interviewer, D.C. Denison, begins by asking Fr. Monan to cite the most difficult decision he’d made as BC’s president. JDM responds that he couldn’t do any such thing because “I’m a person who can make decisions without a great deal of misgivings later on” and continues by saying that part of his doctoral dissertation had to do with the processes of decision making. What did you learn? the wise Denison then asks, to which JDM replies:

“That in the area of practical truth there is usually no single a priori right answer. That in many cases there are a variety of alternatives that would be equally successful as courses of action to be chosen. And that, frequently, the values that you are seeking are as important as the information you are employing in the process. And in the last analysis, when you make a decision, you make it right by the steps you take after the decision is made.”

I was talking to a guest at our office Christmas party this year, and the conversation, as often happened in the season of farewell, got around to JDM. I told this man about the Denison interview, and he, who has more education than I, was then able to tell me that JDM’s expressed views were rooted in the American philosophical movement known as pragmatism, which preaches that outcomes are not achieved at the moment of decision making. “Rather,” my guest said, “you create the consequences.”

When JDM first announced his intention to resign, two-and-a-half years ago, I did the “exit interview” that ran in *BCM*. Near the end of our talk I asked if he had any plans for his first day in 23 years as “not the president of BC.” He didn’t as of yet, he told me, but he anticipated that “one of the big differences [will be] that I’ll wake up one morning and all of these preoccupations that I have won’t be there—someone else will have them.” And he laughed

and shook his head in clear wonderment at this fabulous possibility before he recalled his responsibilities and went on to say that his successor would, of course, at the same time also have a great deal of pride in the institution and so on.

Four months later the trustees came to their dead end and asked JDM if he would stay on another “two to three” years, until it was appropriate to pick up the succession trail again. Shortly afterward I ran into a BC manager who had just come from a meeting with the president. “He looks great,” this fellow told me conspiratorially, “and he’s right on top of things. In fact, he did not sound to me like a guy who was looking forward to retiring. He must have been having some second thoughts, don’t you think?”

Create the consequences.

I DON’T REMEMBER AT WHAT POINT during the year it first occurred to me that I would need to write this story. I do remember the thoughts that occurred to me immediately afterward, however. (1) Writing about your boss is like juggling a two-edged sword that’s missing its handle; however things fall, they will by some worthy standard not fall right. (2) I can’t use any personal biographical information gleaned from the conversations I’ve had with JDM over the past 17 years or I will be breaking the rules by which those conversations took place. (3) I haven’t gleaned personal biographical information about JDM from the conversations we’ve had over the past 17 years. (4) I can’t use anything else from those conversations. (5) JDM would probably prefer that this story didn’t get written.

Not that he doesn’t have enough ego to go around. And not that he wouldn’t tell me, if I seriously asked, whether he’d ever gone through a crisis of faith, or mourned the philosophy books he didn’t get to write because he took on BC, or whether his Blasdell, New York, childhood was rife with squirrel hunts or quiet afternoons in the school library. It is just that he holds to the remarkably quaint notion that ego—much less the fan dance of memoir and confession—is not relevant to the work. And so I won’t ask, and if I did and he answered, I wouldn’t use it here.

This leads me to one of the more interesting and complicated things I know about JDM: that he is a public man who doesn’t keep the customary valise full of public selves handy. He is, in fact, himself—as much of it as he will allow you to see, certainly—but himself, always. It’s what makes most every conversation with him an encounter



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with a person and so, implicitly and even retrospectively, privileged. It's also one of the things that keeps you very alert when you talk with him. And it's what makes him appear strangely vulnerable in public appearances, even as he speaks of anything and everything but his self.

And it puzzles the hell out of people who draw their idea of the public person from what they glimpse in the millennial shadows, where even self-reference, as in "Bob Dole would not lie to you," or "Wade Boggs had an addiction but now he's cured," is considered good form. In recent times, I've seen JDM indulge in self-importance only once, and it was on that film shot in 1972. In talking to the gang of students he begins a question and then backs down to intone: "But I like the word '*cultivation*' better here." It was so odd, this pointing at his own mind, that I made a note: "pretension." Obviously, though, he has since managed to straighten himself out.

This is a piece of journalism, however, and for the sake of form here are a couple of items about the-Monan-no-one-knows.

The first is that he can't time a joke. In fact, when he tells a joke, he begins by blushing and saying that he's bad at telling jokes, but he's going to try this one, and then he laughs, blushes some more and wrecks the joke. Then, inevitably, there's a pause while his listeners pick up the pieces and put the thing back together and laugh if that is still possible. He is, after all, the president, and besides, many of us happen to like him anyway.

The second revelation is that he has grown increasingly merry in this last year as he gets closer to the morning on which he wakes and finds that the 24-year burden of preoccupations has lifted. I don't know this from him directly, and, of course, I wouldn't ask, and if he answered, I wouldn't say. But I've seen what I've seen, and I know it wasn't an

illusion because in June, when some of his family were in Boston for a reception, I overheard a couple of his nephews talking about the changes in him. "And we used to call him the *quiet Monan*," one of them marveled.

ABOUT MIDWAY THROUGH THIS season of farewell, a member of the president's staff sent me a collection of about 20 of his speeches for my files. I put that set in a folder with my own collection and ferried the lot between home and work in a Lord & Taylor shopping bag, waiting for reading time to materialize and only after several weeks realizing that I didn't want to read any of the speeches in the bag because the one I remembered best was never written down.

It was a eulogy that JDM made on a fall day in 1994 for Shirley Hogan, for nine years his executive secretary. Discreet, patient, efficient, precise, Shirley was the very model of an executive secretary. She was also tall, gawky, humorous, plainspoken, open-hearted, brave and good. It was impossible not to love her, and she was only 58 when she died.

Shirley's funeral service took place in a Mormon church near Boston. The Mitt Romney-Ted Kennedy senatorial race was in full swing, and when the BC contingent arrived, the church parking lot was already full of red Romney bumper stickers, to which, as I recall, we added none.

Shirley's sister spoke, and so did a nephew, I believe, as well as a bishop and several elders. It was a long ceremony of remembrance, through which JDM sat on the podium with the elders, all of whom appeared to be about 30 years his junior and to have stopped by on their way to jobs at the bank.

JDM was the last eulogist to speak. He talked of Shirley's love of her family and of her fellow workers and of her adopted New England, of her commitment to BC and her courage in the face of



illness and rehabilitation and more illness. And he said how much she had meant to Boston College and how much he and all of BC would miss her. And then, where we all expected a right turn into scripture, he took a left and quietly recited Socrates' words from the lyrical wind-down of *The Republic*: "But if you believe with me that the soul is immortal and able to endure all good and ill, we shall keep always to the upward path and in all things pursue justice with the help of wisdom. Then we shall be at peace with Heaven and with ourselves, both during our sojourn here and when, like victors in the Games collecting gifts from their friends, we receive the prize of justice; and so not here only will we fare well, but in the journey of a thousand years of which I have told you, we shall fare well."

And there JDM stopped and stepped away from the lectern, and if anyone had fallen into the silence that followed, I believe that person would still be falling today.

THERE WAS A MAIN EVENT IN the season of farewell. It was the May 1 tribute—"A Legacy of Excellence"—at Conte Forum, attended by about 2,500 staff, faculty and alumni and preceded by a marching-band parade around the campus. "Legacy" was the kind of party that could be introduced by a parade. The emcee appeared to miss a cue or two but earned forgiveness with some smart off-the-cuff jokes. Speakers ran through their allotted minutes and kept on going like the great-uncle or aunt who insists on making the toast the way it needs to be made. Children in dress clothes roamed the mezzanine eating cookies that had been set out to refresh their seniors at the program's conclusion. And some people said the kinds of things they might say while sitting at the kitchen table but not into a microphone on a platform in a bannered Conte Forum. Like the young woman who was representing the computer

area, for example, who was called up to give JDM a gift of a CD-ROM of his speeches and began by saying, "Father, I need to tell you something I've never told you," and then confessed that when she was a student she and her friends had been in the library one day studying frog reproduction, and JDM, wandering through, had asked what they were studying and they without hesitation had replied "photosynthesis."

There were 14 speakers and presenters, plus two videos—one serious and one humorous—an invocation and four musical selections, and when all that was done there was a long standing ovation that made JDM cry, and I heard someone say, with a swell of pride, "You know, that's the second time this year—he broke down at the secretaries' Christmas luncheon as well." But then JDM cleared his throat and spoke and thanked everyone in the room, saying he had long known he could never prepare for this day. "How do you prepare for the presence of all of you?" he said, asking the exact right question, even if he didn't have a better answer than tears.

Afterward, everyone did their best with "Hail! Alma Mater," and then JDM came down and stood in a reception line that snaked across the floor of Conte. People filed by as at a wedding and took his hand or hugged him and said nice things about him, and he, when he heard such things, immediately told them how much *they* had contributed to BC with *their* work or support, and they asked him to autograph programs and were then photographed by the house photographers with him and with those of their cookie-filled children and grandchildren who weren't busy playing chasing games in the mezzanine. It took more than an hour to clear the house. Someone from athletics who came down from his office to see what was up, looked at the receiving line and said to me in wonderment, "This guy's bigger than Parcells." *continued*



THE MEASURING UP MONAN ERA

ADMINISTRATION

	1972	1996
Undergraduate cost	\$4,125	\$26,086
BC financial aid (millions)	\$1.7	\$51.1
Operating budget (millions)	\$34.4	\$340
Fund balance (millions)	\$50.0	\$780
Endowment (millions)	\$5.0	\$590 [#]
Bond rating (S&P)	none	A+
Full-time staff	887	1,709
Computer workstations	0	3,990

FUND-RAISING

	1972	1996
Donors	4,896	30,200
Individual gifts (millions)	\$1.4	\$24.7
Total annual gifts	\$1.8	\$31.1

FACULTY

	1972	1996
Full-time	523	591
Earned Ph.D.	72%	94%
Percent female (full-time)	24%	32%
Compensation (average salary and benefits)	\$17,025	\$82,000
Research grants and awards (millions)	\$6.1	\$19.5

ALUMNI

	1972	1996
Graduates	54,847	113,412
Percent female	31%	47%
California residents	989	4,295
Massachusetts residents	32,908	55,677

STUDENTS

	1972	1996
Enrollment	11,111	14,695
Nations represented	34	91
Undergraduates (full-time)	6,640	8,894
Percent female	44%	53%
African-American	*234	328
Asian-American	*179	677
Hispanic-American	*238	454
Foreign students	26	314
Freshmen from New England	93%	40%
Undergraduates living on campus	40%	69%
Undergraduate applications	7,286	16,680
Average SAT scores:		
verbal	530	570
math	554	655
Graduate students	3,370	4,559
Doctoral degrees conferred	52	110

FACILITIES

	1972	1996
Campus acreage	112.3	184.9
Buildings	59	88
Residence halls	15	30
Residence hall capacity	3,000	6,482
Library volumes (thousands)	173	1,592

ATHLETICS

	1972	1996
Men's varsity sports	9	16
Women's varsity sports	5	15
Basketball seating	4,000	8,500
Football seating	32,000	44,500

* 1980-81 figures # estimated as of May 31, 1996

THE SERIOUS VIDEOTAPE SHOWN at the May 1 tribute was created by the Public Affairs Office and featured interviews with several score people who had worked with JDM. Jim McGahay '63, a writer for development, told the story of his first meeting with JDM in 1972, when McGahay was working for the Alumni Association.

"My assignment," McGahay said, "was to go with Father to alumni gatherings [at which JDM was being introduced], and I vividly remember the very first one. I was somewhat nervous because he was very new to me, and we had a bit of a ride. I didn't know how it would go in terms of conversation and so on, and it was really very pleasant. However, when we did arrive at the destination, the motel where the reception was being held, the marquee had this very nice, warm greeting as we pulled in that said: "Welcome, Father Moran."

In 1982 a secretary in JDM's office sent me a list of 37 misconstructions of the president's name, which I have kept in the back of a desk drawer. They include "Fr. Moan," "Fr. Norman," "Jay D. Monan" and, my favorite, "Donald S. Jay."

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THE SEASON OF FAREWELL ENDED with commencement, the last public "last." The graduates and faculty and trustees were already seated on the field, and the BC Band was long past its 50th round of "Hope and Glory" when the VIP party processed onto the football field.

It was JDM, Bill Cosby, Berry Brazelton, Billy Bulger, Marian Heard, Mike Mansfield, Cardinal Bernard Law and five trustee escorts. By some tricky celebrity affect, however, Cosby seemed to be the only one visible to graduates or their families and friends in the stands. "Dr. Huxtable!" people shouted, holding out their programs. Cosby, who had decorated himself with a tasseled BC baseball cap, shook hands over and through the railings, made faces at children and bantered with graduates, some of whom dashed from their folding chairs to lean on him while their friends snapped pictures from a distance. When "William H. Cosby Jr." was finally called to walk up the aisle to the VIP platform, the stadium roared. Then JDM's name was called, and a strange thing happened. The stadium roared louder.

Later he received an honorary degree and learned that the trustees had decided to establish

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three endowed faculty chairs in the name of J. Donald Monan, and to call the planned new humanities building by his name, and to give his name to the quadrangle that will replace the Dust Bowl when the student center project is completed. Sitting beside JDM on the platform, Cosby pointed at his neighbor with one hand and lifted his other hand in the air and flopped it about in the time-honored "hot" signal. Again the crowd roared.

But before any of that happened, JDM gave the last Monan commencement address. In it, he appreciated the weather and the families who'd sacrificed and the students who had worked so hard. In it, he recalled words of St. Bonaventura that he admired, *intellectum valde ama*, "mightily love your own mind," but cautioned that intellect wasn't all, that a full life was made also of community, religious faith, justice, love and courage. The genius of the Catholic university, he said, was that it did not draw "a curtain between mind and heart, between intellectual discovery and belief, with each irrelevant to the other."

At that moment a woman in the stands behind me stood up with her camera raised and screamed "Megan, turn around!"

I retreated to the shade beneath the stands, where I found myself surrounded by a legion of grandparents, seeking shelter from the sun. As the proceedings continued, I found I could look out the doorway into the bright light and count seven Monan buildings in sight range, including the one I was sheltered in. I could also see JDM seated on the platform, looking quite small between Cosby and Geoff Boisi, the six-foot-plus trustee chairman. But I couldn't tell what JDM was seeing or whether he was counting anything.

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Knowing Michael

After 12 years alone, he found a virtual link to the world

BY BRUCE MORGAN

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Kathy Nash with her son, Michael

Michael Nash has cerebral palsy—specifically, spastic quadriplegia—the result of oxygen deprivation at birth. Born with no heartbeat, he would never have drawn breath had it not been for a doctor at Cape Cod Hospital in Barnstable, Massachusetts, who gave him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation for 45 minutes. Today, at 14, Michael cannot speak. He cannot control his body except for some facial muscles. He is completely dependent on others to



At lunchtime at the Martinson Middle School in Marshfield, Massachusetts, classmate John cracks jokes while Michael's tutor and aide Maureen Gates serves him a soda. Fellow sixth grader Leah (opposite page) quizzes him in class.

hoist him into his wheelchair, to feed him through the tube that empties into his stomach and to change his diapers.

Until two years ago Michael was assessed as having the intelligence of a three-month-old, a diagnosis confirmed by specialists in Connecticut, Massachusetts and Virginia. So from ages six through 12, the boy was enrolled in programs for the severely retarded, most recently in an isolated wing of West Bridgewater High School, 40 miles from his home in Marshfield, Massachusetts. At

West Bridgewater, a typical student's goal for a given school year might be to grasp a spoon or to track a teacher's finger from left to right with the eyes. "And a lot of those kids couldn't do it," says Maureen Gates, who has known Michael since he was eight, when she ran a van service for the school and worked there as an aide, tending half a dozen pupils in two large, open rooms. At West Bridgewater, she says, Michael became increasingly unresponsive to his teachers' demands. His attention drifted, and his eyes grew glassy, seeming to con-

firm the system's assessment of his intelligence.

Gates disagreed with that assessment. She knew there was an intelligent mind inside that flailing body. "He would laugh at my puns, usually faster than the staff," she says. Other staff members remained skeptical, however.

One night in the late summer of 1994 Michael's mother, Kathy Nash, caught the end of a television report about a computer that could be operated by the eyes alone. The system, Eagle Eyes, had been developed by a team of faculty members at Boston College. The news clip showed kids with disabilities similar to Michael's; only they were moving a cursor around a computer screen by flicking their eyes back and forth. In September Kathy Nash called one of the researchers, computer scientist James Gips, and begged him to include her son in the system's pilot phase. Gips agreed.

A week or two later she brought then-12-year-old Michael in to the Gasson Hall basement lab of Joseph Tecce, where Gips and fellow computer scientist Peter Olivieri were waiting. Michael was wheeled directly in front of the computer, and Maureen Gates sat at his side, comforting him. A student assistant daubed the boy's face with a blue gel containing spun glass, designed to rough up the skin for better adhesion. Next the student gently affixed dime-sized patches containing electrodes around one of Michael's eyes. The entire process took perhaps a minute. In a few more minutes the system was calibrated and ready to run. Michael's first test came quickly. On the screen before him flashed the letters of the alphabet. "Michael, how many of these letters can you identify?" someone asked, calling out A, then B. In short order the boy selected all 26.

Michael was so excited, Kathy Nash says, "that he was screeching and laughing."

On another visit, he was asked to identify blocks of color on-screen. Asked to find the purple shape, he did. Then the blue shape. When he was asked for the red shape, though, he just stared at the BC student administering the test. "No, Michael, find the red," urged the group clustered around him. Finally it dawned on them: the student had bright red hair. Michael was making a joke.

One morning this spring Maureen Gates pulled her van into the Nashes' driveway in suburban Marshfield, to pick up Michael for school. She wheeled him outdoors and backed the chair onto the van's motorized ramp. Up he went, squealing and honking, emitting high, piercing trills of glee; his arms were flung forward

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like penguin flippers, and a handkerchief was knotted jauntily around his neck to absorb the drool from his protruding tongue. Maureen locked his wheelchair in place and climbed into the driver's seat. The van moved uphill, onto the quiet residential lane that winds among new colonial-style houses and wispy groves of pine.

The Martinson Middle School in Marshfield is a low, sprawling facility that serves approximately 600 sixth and seventh graders. Last year the town's superintendent of schools was visiting BC's Campus School on unrelated business, when he saw Michael at work on Eagle Eyes. As Kathy Nash tells it, the superintendent said, "Why isn't this boy in our school system?"

Gates quit her old van-driving job to work full-time with Michael as a tutor and aide, and since



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September she has accompanied Michael to school each day. As she wheeled him down the hall that morning, other kids routinely tapped him on the shoulder and hailed him by name. For the first class that day—language arts, taught by Martine Anderson—Gates positioned Michael's wheelchair in a corner of the classroom and sat beside him. The subject was parts of speech, and Anderson pointed here and there, asking students to suggest a noun. Gates quickly fetched a white message pad from a bag hanging on the back of Michael's wheelchair. With a black felt-tip pen, she dashed off two words: "house" on the left, "went" on the right, with a line down the middle. "Which one is it, Michael?" she asked softly. "Which one is the noun?" Almost undetectably, Michael glanced left. "Good boy," Gates murmured, patting him on the chest.

After a few drills, Anderson announced that the class needed some wake-up exercise. The kids poured from behind their desks and trotted around a table at the middle of the room, shrieking. With Gates pushing, Michael glided among them. "OK, out in the hall; let's go to the water fountain and back," commanded Anderson. The pack funneled through the doorway, heels, elbows and black tires churning. A few minutes later they poured back in, with Michael reared back in his seat, honking and screeching, a look of ecstasy on his face.

The class broke into teams to discuss proper nouns. Leah, Tony and John drew their chairs around Michael's wheelchair. "Hey, what's up, Mike?" each said in turn. With Leah—a shy, pretty girl and one of his favorites—so near, Michael had trouble focusing on the lesson. His eyes kept tugging in her direction. Michael's interest in girls is as ardent as that of any other 14-year-old boy, his mother confides. "We in the family laugh at a lot of it right now," she says. "If he's eyeing a girl, we sort of say, 'Michael, try to be a little more discreet.'"

"Mike, Mike," repeated John, a chubby kid with blondish hair, still trying to get his friend's attention. "Which is the person?" He'd written "Leah" on one side of the slate and "ball" on the other. In a flash, Michael picked the name.

The next class entailed a move with four other students—Tony, Leah, Emily and Diane—down the hall to the school library, a cool, quiet room redolent of aged books and floor wax. There, Gates led a discussion about *Tuck Everlasting*, which the class was reading. Michael seemed to be fading. Drooling, he moaned softly and rhythmically, *unh, unh, unh*. When a snatch of music drifted in from the hall, his eyes wandered toward the door.

"Michael, just to see if you've been listening, what are these characters going to get in the diner—coffee or tea?" Gates asked abruptly. "This side for coffee, this side for tea. You're on the spot now." With a big, knowing smile, Michael picked coffee.

At the end of class, after Michael had departed, the four other kids lingered to discuss their impressions of him with a visitor. "I just think he's cool, real cool," Leah volunteered.

"What was it like, meeting Michael?" they were asked.

Emily, freckled, with her hair in dark braids, conceded that it was awkward at first. "But now," she said, "he's just one of us."

"Is he as smart as you guys?"

"Oh, yeah," Leah said with an upward roll of her eyes, "probably smarter. He does his homework."

"One time in class, Chris made a joke about Mrs. [X], and Michael laughed," Emily said.

Mrs. X is a teacher who doesn't believe Michael should be at Martinson, the kids say. She "doesn't even think Mike can see her," one kid elaborated. "She'll go like this—'Oh, hi-i-i-i,'" waving a hand broadly from side to side in front of an imaginary person's face. "But she doesn't do that for us. She should just treat him like everyone else." The other students nodded.

When Michael decides he's had enough of something, though, he shuts down, retreating into the cave of himself. Gates describes him as "one of the most stubborn people I know." She theorizes that he developed this reflex during the 12 years of his life before Eagle Eyes came along; shutting down was his sole means of exerting control.

At an evening presentation for BC freshmen and their parents last June, Michael was a featured performer. He was wheeled onto the Robsham Theater stage, hooked up to a computer and asked to move the cursor to an image of Grandma in the animated video the crowd was watching on a screen

overhead. He did it. Then he was asked to highlight the word "grandma" in the adjoining block of text. He did that, too. And then, despite an auditorium full of people eagerly awaiting more bravura moves, Michael quit. He'd had enough.

Late one morning this spring, Gates wheeled Michael into a large room with a bed and sink in order to change his diaper. She was explaining to a reporter that Michael can eat just about anything that can be pureed and fed to him through a tube. "Didn't you have hamburger yesterday?" she asked Michael. "Could you ask him to repeat the answer so that I can see his response?" the reporter requested. No response. Michael gazed straight ahead and then down to one side. Gates prodded him again; again he refused to engage her. "Are you just doing this because you're sick of me asking you the

same dumb question twice in a row?" she asked finally. Bang. A flash of pale blue as Michael's eyes shot up. That was a yes, loud and clear.

The technology behind Eagle Eyes is in ways remarkably simple. Five electrodes are attached to a user's face: four, around the dominant eye; and the fifth, to the forehead as a ground. They enable the computer to detect and measure minute electrooculographic changes—electrical signals that indicate movement of the dominant eye. Amplified 5,000 times, those signals are translated by custom software to trigger the movement of a cursor on screen. The system was a finalist in the 1994 *Discover Magazine* Awards for Technology Innovation, losing out to the Pentium computer chip.

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"There's so much in there waiting to come out," says Campus School curriculum specialist Frank Curran (left) in his office with school director Phil DiMattia, student assistant Andy LaMora '97, Michael and Gates).





Michael with sister Melissa (above), mother Kathy (below) and sister Kristin (opposite).

Eagle Eyes' invention was a lucky accident. Gips and Olivieri were brainstorming at lunch four or five years ago about what sort of project they'd like to undertake if they had no constraints. It quickly came out that devising a means for people to communicate directly with computers was their mutual passion. So they decided to try it. "We were doing it for pure research," Gips says. "It was just an interesting, even crazy project."

They approached Tecce, an expert in the measurement of eye blinks, for help. A handful of undergraduates who were working as Gips' research assistants also pitched in, and before long the team had a functioning system. They used it to play video games.

Not until Gips spoke to Phil DiMattia, the director of the Campus School, did the technology's potential become apparent. Gips, Olivieri and Tecce tested several Campus School students, and the results were encouraging. The students, by focusing on a small area of the screen and lingering there for 1.6 seconds, could highlight that area the way a conventional mouse click does. Instead of being limited to stark yes-or-no choices, they were free to pick among a range of possibilities.

To refine the system, the Eagle Eyes team received funding from Andersen Consulting and software help from Apple Computer. Michael's uncle, who works at LTX, a local computing company, got his employer to lend the talents of an electrical engineer to miniaturize the system's components, making it more portable. A signal amplifier, once as bulky as a window air-conditioner, is now the size of a matchbox.





An estimated 100,000 people nationwide suffer from severe paralysis—victims of muscular dystrophy, spinal-cord injury and stroke, as well as cerebral palsy. Many could benefit from Eagle Eyes if the technology was widely available. University officials are discussing commercial licensing arrangements with a number of companies.

A typical Eagle Eyes session these days finds Michael's wheelchair positioned in front of the screen that's set up in a bright corner room at the Campus School. Gates sits beside him, her arm intertwined with his, frequently stroking his arm to calm him down, or patting him on the chest, or wiping spittle off his chin, or guiding him through the next task. Andy LaMora '97, sits opposite, handling the technical calibration and selecting programs. Michael now comes twice a week, for a two-hour session.

A day's tasks might include creating a brief message by selecting letters one by one or identify-

ing parts of speech in a paragraph or something more fun, such as animating musical segments of a commercially available video based on a children's book. Usually the session is a mix. Part of Gates's job is to see that the material covered at BC meshes with Michael's sixth-grade course work.

Frank Curran, a curriculum specialist at the Campus School, often stands behind Michael, egging him on. On a recent visit Michael was attempting to spell out his name. Having found M-I-K, he was tired, grunting and arching his back in frustration. His eyes had glassed over. "Mike, do you see this?" Curran said, fishing in his pocket and then slapping something down next to the computer. "Here's a dollar. That's for you if you can get that last letter."

The others in the room picked up the cry. "C'mon, Mike, get it. You can do it," said Gates.

"You can do it, Mike," DiMattia said quietly.

"That dollar's yours if you do it," Curran repeated. Michael made a few wild stabs with the

cursor, and finally hit the "E." Everyone cheered.

Curran now has 20 users enrolled in the Eagle Eyes program, 15 of them students at the Campus School. They range in age from three to 20. Users of any age may benefit, however. The family of a 55-year-old stroke victim recently drove the man up from his home in New Jersey to try out the system. An avid sports fan, he was delighted to be able to browse the Internet through the motion of his eyes and scan the *Sports Illustrated* home page.

For each of his regular users, Curran is inventing a curriculum as he goes. Initially, he explains, the aim was to teach Michael basic skill control. Through repeated drills, many disguised as games, Michael was moving toward proficiency, even fluency, in moving the cursor around the screen. But "I don't want Michael watching Mickey Mouse for the rest of his life," Curran says. "I want him to be as learned as he can be." Devising a more functional alphabet system is one immediate hurdle. Having 26 "hot points" on-screen simultaneously is overwhelming to users, and the current solution—breaking the alphabet into blocks of five or six letters to make selection easier—is still too cumbersome.

Fatigue is a problem, too. Moving Eagle Eyes' cursor is not easy. A slight delay occurs between selecting a spot on screen and seeing the cursor go there, and the system's calibration slips periodically. The more tired a user gets, the harder it is to control the cursor, and anxiety only increases the problem. That is why those close to Michael are so often trying to calm him. On a recent visit, several newcomers milled around while Gates quietly urged him to complete a difficult assignment. Michael became flushed, his breath spasmodic. Gates draped a handkerchief across his face until he settled down.

Kristin Nash, 11, was looking around for rope to tie her brother's wheelchair to her bike and take him for a ride. She and her sister, Melissa, nine, had already pushed Michael up the long, steep driveway in front of their house and let him go spinning down, nearly toppling and crashing into the van parked at the bottom of the grade.

Michael Nash Sr. stood nearby, saying apprehensively, "I don't know . . ."

"Let him have some fun," Kathy said. So a length of rope was found, a knot secured, and off the girls went, one running and the other pedaling hard, towing their brother behind.

When Michael got home from school a half hour before, Maureen Gates, Michael and Kathy celebrated the events of the day together in what has become a regular routine. Kathy stood directly in front of her son's wheelchair, leaning forward eagerly until their noses almost touched. Gates recited Michael's achievements at school as he beamed and wheezed, switching his head from side to side, and his mother looked as proud as a person could be.

The whole Nash clan buzzes around Michael like bees around a hive. Most afternoons Melissa tutors him in math at an easel she has set up in the basement. Kristin helps her brother write stories. Kathy reads to him nightly and sees that he does his homework. Michael Sr. engineers the equipment needed to give his son mobility and takes him to sporting events.

One of Kristin and Melissa's jobs is to grind up Michael's pills every morning in a mortar and pestle. Asked his dosage, either girl can tell you: a milligram-and-a-half of Lioresal, a milligram-and-a-half of Valium—both muscle relaxants. The girls get to pick Michael's food, too. He likes spicy food, which they place on his tongue. "The hottest sauce, he loves," Kristin volunteers. Lemons, no.

All that sisterly attention takes its toll sometimes. Down in the basement with their mother and Michael, the girls hopped on and off the sides of his wheelchair, poking him in the side and touching his hair. At one point, Kristin suddenly told him to look left. He did, away from her, and she yelled "Boo!" Michael was startled half out of his skin.

"Loser," muttered Melissa under her breath.

As Michael gets older and larger, new problems related to his care will arise. The doctors won't hazard a prognosis for him, says Kathy, because so much depends on the quality of care he gets. She is determined never to place her son in an institutional setting; if necessary, the Nashes will hire someone full-time to help at home and at school. "I'll be taking care of him when I'm 90 years old," Kathy laughs. Almost in the same breath, she says she'd like to see Michael complete college.

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GHOST STORY

What happens when you return to a place that no longer exists?

BY JANE HUDSON NC'71

Driving east out of Hartford, Connecticut, on a rainy May Saturday, I felt vaguely unsettled as I headed toward reunion weekend at Boston College. The source of my discomfort was like an ocular ghost floating into my line of vision. If I focused too closely, it skittered out of sight. The feeling nettled me. Miles slid beneath my wheels with a rhythmic slosh. *What is this all about?* I puzzled. *Have I forgotten something again?*

Halfway to my car that morning, I'd had to trot back inside the house and retrieve the cash I'd absentmindedly left behind. Finally on the road, I found myself wondering whether the temporary splint

I'd fashioned from Lego blocks and Band-Aid strips would do the trick for my daughter's thumb, which she'd bruised on a trampoline. It wasn't clear where I'd be sleeping that night. My hotel plans had changed when a friend canceled out of the reunion the day before. Now I was expecting to stay at BC, in Vanderslice. I had no idea where that was, or even who or what a Vanderslice is. It was not promising.

I wasn't sure why I was going to the reunion at all. I hadn't intended to make the trip. I'm not a Boston College alumna. I'm a graduate of Newton College of the Sacred Heart, Class of 1971. We Newton graduates are addenda to the Boston College Alumni Association. We comprise 25 extra sets of class notes, the ones in which the class year is followed by the letter N. We went to the women's college that used to be at 885 Centre Street.

As of June 30, 1975, Newton College will cease to exist as an undergraduate college except for the purpose of conferring degrees. With the commencement of the class of 1976, this function will also cease," the March 11, 1974, issue of *The Heights* tersely reported. I keep a yellowed copy of the clipping in my '71 yearbook.

Exactly why Newton died may not matter any longer. Declining enrollment, increasing debt, changing times: we heard the details of the story mostly after its finale. Newton's demise, like that of other Sacred Heart colleges closed or secularized during the mid-1970s, was part of a larger picture. Nationally, many single-sex colleges were becoming coeducational, and Catholic college students were enrolling at secular schools. The Society of the Sacred Heart was in transition, too. Whether Newton's fate was unavoidable remains arguable; that weekend, in my conversations with other alumnae I heard "what if" and "yes, but" more than once when discussing the subject.

Still, one thing is sure. Newton graduates are a group growing smaller and older. No one has joined our ranks for

20 years. At a reunion Mass on Sunday we heard recited a list of Newton women who had died, three from my class alone.

In January a brochure arrived at my house, detailing the itinerary for reunion weekend: a BC Night at the Pops, a BC parade, BC parties, BC graduation. Scanning the brochure, I felt as I do when mailings arrive from the University of Michigan for my husband, Don. Michigan is a vibrant, attractive place, but the ties I feel to Don's college are those of marriage rather than blood.

"Your alma mater is playing today," Don twits me mildly when a BC game—any sport—is televised. My response is always "That's not my alma mater." To me, BC was just another Jesuit men's college—like Holy Cross, but down the street. When we took our children, Catherine and Jed, to a BC-Michigan football game a few years ago, Don laughingly asked whose side I was on. I didn't have one.

It wasn't until I spoke to a few Newton classmates that I gave any serious thought to the reunion. I ran into one as I was crossing the lobby at the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. I was heading into the Vermeer exhibit; she was on her way out. Our conversation was brief and ended with her question: "Will I see you at the reunion?" *Probably not*, I thought. May weekends are far too busy for our family.

And how many times can you go back to a college that disappeared 20 years ago? I'd returned to Newton for several reunions, among them my 10th, as I remember, and 20th. For the last reunion I spent the weekend in a Boston hotel with a few

Newton '71 friends. The night of our class dinner we drove over to 885 Centre Street and ricocheted from building to building looking for classmates. They weren't there; we hadn't paid close enough attention to the invitation. Our reunion party was being held, not on the Newton College campus, but next door at Newton Country Day School, a Sacred Heart academy. In four years of college I had been to Newton Country Day just once, visiting a classmate's sister. We joked at our 20th reunion that we would meet at a resort for our 25th. If our reunion wasn't even held at our college, why go back at all?

So when someone from the BC Alumni Association telephoned to follow up on the reunion invitation, I declined. A request for biographical



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information for the BC reunion book waited and waited some more on my desk. Finally it was too late to respond.

Then I got a call from another classmate: "Are you going?" she asked. She and I had been friendly—with fewer than 200 in our class, we all knew one another—but we weren't close. Still, there was something oddly compelling about talking with her. Perhaps it was because she really was a voice out of the past. There was a sense of common language even after all these years. I thought, finally, *Well, why not?*

When I turned in to the Newton campus Saturday, I was surprised by the intensity of my feelings. Memories hovered like pale ghosts around the familiar buildings.

Keyes North was where I had hung my "Hi, Dad" sign out the window one Father-Daughter Weekend. My father and I had fox-trotted that Saturday evening away, before attending midnight Mass in Barat House. During the typically unconventional liturgy, one of the other fathers had nodded toward the priest and asked his daughter, "Is this guy a Catholic?"

"Daddy, he's a Jesuit," she'd replied.

"Yeah, but is he a Catholic?" her father had growled back.

My freshman dorm room in Stuart had been one floor above the classrooms, and I'd often sprinted upstairs to catnap between classes. The Kenny-Cottle Library, my hideout during freshman hazing, had been the backdrop for Newton's outdoor commencement

Commencement 1972, one of the last held on the Newton College Campus. Two years later the administration announced that the college was to be no longer.





Founded in France in 1800 to educate girls and women, the Society of the Sacred Heart created an international network of academies and women's colleges, including (left) Newton College of the Sacred Heart, founded in 1946.

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ceremonies. That May day in 1971 I'd stood waiting in the processional line in my black academic gown, swinging my arms back and forth like crow's wings to the song "You've Got a Friend" (I can't recall whether it was the Carole King or the James Taylor version) playing somewhere in the distance.

The campus's Centre Street entrance looked more elaborate than I had recalled, with divided lanes and traffic-control signs. But the Chapel of the Holy Trinity appeared much the same as the day in 1966 when I'd come to Newton for my admission interview; afterward I'd stepped inside the chapel to pray for some heavenly help. This time a stone lay alongside the chapel. The old Newton College of the Sacred Heart sign that used to hang at the 885 gate rested on the stone's polished surface. The dates 1946-1974 were chiseled below. Like a grave marker.

I drove down the hill to BC's Alumni House, formerly the Newton art building. I'd done some napping there, too, during an early morning art-history course that was taught in a darkened room to the steady hum of a slide projector.

For its 30th reunion, the Class of 1966 had scheduled a discussion of Susan Cheever's book *A Woman's Life: The Story of an Ordinary American and*

Her Extraordinary Generation. The book chronicles the life of Linda Green, a real-life person Cheever describes as average: "the woman in her 40s . . . with two school-age kids, a full-time job, and a husband, out there trying to make it all work and mesh somehow with her dreams of the 1960s and the things her mother told her." In advance of the session, the organizers had distributed copies of the book and a questionnaire. About 100 Newton alumnae gathered, their homework read and questions at the ready.

Newton College came out of a distinctive tradition of intellectual inquiry dating back nearly two centuries to a French woman named Madeleine Sophie Barat. In the repressive, anti-clerical years following the French Revolution, girls were denied schooling. But young Madeleine Sophie was instructed privately and rigorously by her brother, a priest who believed a woman's education should be the equal of any man's. In 1800 she founded the Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a religious order dedicated to educating women.

When Mother Barat died in 1865, the society operated 89 schools in 15 countries, among them Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart. By the time I arrived at Newton a century later, the international family of Sacred Heart

educational institutions had grown to include 35 schools in the United States, seven of them liberal-arts colleges.

In high school I'd read a book by a nearly unknown magazine writer named Betty Friedan. In *The Feminine Mystique* Friedan opined that women were intelligent and ambitious, an assertion some found troubling but one I'd welcomed. A budding feminist, I'd decided to cast my academic lot with women.

I must have requested information from every women's college on the East Coast. Jimmy, our mailman, had staggered up the front steps day after day under a load of envelopes bearing the return addresses of most of the Seven Sisters and a smorgasbord of Catholic and nonsectarian institutions. Something about the catalog from Newton College of the Sacred Heart had hooked me. It had sounded a clear tone that was independent, intellectual and civil.

My mother graduated in 1938 from Kenwood, the Sacred Heart secondary school in Albany, New York. She'd grinned when I told her of my interest in Newton College. She has a taste for good books and lively debate, which she credits in roughly equal measure to the influence of her parents and to her Sacred Heart days. Asked about Kenwood, my mother still raises her chin slightly, squares her shoulders and intones "Think!" with the Sacred Heart this-is-not-optional inflection she remembers from 60 years ago.

Think. That is what we did during the Class of '66 reunion discussion. We broke up into four groups to talk about the impact of societal changes on individual women, about relationships, about work, and about health and stress at midlife. It was big talk for two hours: intelligent, bold and irreverent, hardly party chatter or even polite conversation. We had

concepts to explore and assertions to challenge—everything from patriarchy to spirituality—and we came at them from the varied constructs and languages of history and science and art and philosophy and theology. This was the familiar intellectual glossolalia I had learned at Newton and continue to practice today retorting, “Well, but . . .” at times when “Yes, indeed,” is the conversational move expected from a nice gray-haired woman like me.

Asked to cast a ballot in a straw vote for president of the United States, one woman replied, “If God had wanted us to vote, He would have given us candidates.”

The Newton College that fired our discussions that day was no “small Catholic college for small Catholic girls.” It was not the Newton of dress codes, curfews and white gloves, either. And it was certainly not the place pictured by my fellow graduate student at Syracuse who, when I said my degree was from Newton College of the Sacred Heart, responded with two words: “Oh. Nuns.”

The women I spoke with reunion weekend span far more than the 20 years that separate our commencement dates. June Cleaver and Gloria Steinem bracket the decades during which we attended college. We are homemakers and corporate moguls; single, married, divorced, remarried. Some are Catholics; others are not. What we have in common is a sensibility, serious but with abundant humor. We value the life of the mind. The Class of '66 conducted a survey of its members and found that three-quarters of the respondents have earned postbaccalaureate degrees—many recently. And we seem spurred morally to “do the truth,” as Mother Grace Cowardin Dammann said when she admitted the first African-American student to Manhattanville College in 1938.

There is a phrase purported to characterize the outcome of a Sacred Heart education years ago, even when nice girls weren't supposed to expose too much brain: “A man's head and a

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woman's heart.” Here we are still: intelligent and humane and unapologetic.

Sunday morning I woke up early in my room in Vanderslice Hall (a dormitory, I had learned), where I had neatly inserted an “NC” in front of the “Class of '71” sign on the door. Sitting on my bed and leafing through my yearbook, I heard my name called by a classmate I'd run into the day before. Before that, we hadn't seen each other in five years, and we picked up where we'd left off. She sat down on the floor and we talked for more than an hour about struggling to earn a doctorate and launching a business, about cancer and second marriage. She told me, too, about her volunteer work in her church and with organizations to help homeless and abused women. “I'm still trying to change the world,” she concluded with a small, wry smile. Having a “woman's heart” may be what makes a Sacred Heart education continue to be countercultural today.

After Mass later that morning, a steady stream of Newton alumnae paused in the chapel foyer before heading out into the blink-bright sun. They formed a shifting semicircle in front of a bronze plaque that depicts two women reaching out to each other. Its inscription is plainspoken: “Given in remembrance of a community of women dedicated to intellectual excellence.” One by one, the alumnae stood silently as they read those words, then turned to look at one another.

Jane Hudson, now a freelance writer in Connecticut, gave the Class Response at the 1971 Newton College Commencement.



ADVANCEMENT

RECORD PACE

Individual gifts are up; so is membership in Fides and President's Circle

The University raised a record \$24.7 million in private cash gifts during the 1996 fiscal year, which ended on May 31. Vice President for University Relations Mary Lou DeLong credited the President's Circle and Fides giving societies with leading the effort. Both broke their membership records: Fides members—donors of \$1,000 or more—totaled 1,820; and the President's Circle—donors of \$5,000 or more—reached 550. Among those who joined Fides last year were two members of the Class of 1996—the first Boston College undergraduates to pledge at that level. Gifts from BC parents also topped previous records, with 180 members of

the Parents' Fund contributing \$1,000 or more.

Those gifts kept the University on target with its present two-year, \$50-million fund-raising goal. Financial support remained strong in all four of the University's priority areas: student financial aid, unrestricted giving, the new sports complex and the student center.

Among the year's major gifts were \$1.7 million from W. Douglas Hajjar '68, and Mary K. Hajjar '79, for the new athletics center; \$1 million from Lelia Holden Carroll to endow a chair in the School of Nursing; and \$1 million from Barbara and Patrick Roche '51, to establish an undergraduate scholarship fund.

The eighth annual Wall Street Council Tribute Dinner raised \$800,000 for the Presidential Scholars Program, which funds merit scholarships to attract academically gifted students to BC.

Other fund-raising highlights from 1995-96:

- Corporate and foundation giving reached \$6.2 million in pledges and \$6.5 million in cash. Donors included the W. M. Keck Foundation, which gave \$400,000 to renovate biology laboratories; and the Edna McConnell Clark Foundation, which gave \$334,000 for the School of Education.
- For the first time, gifts to BC's 10-year-old Charitable Gift Annuity program topped \$1 million, reaching \$1,455,000.

Included in that total were a \$350,000 annuity from John Wisniewski '50, to endow an athletic scholarship; a \$350,000 annuity from Florence Ryan, sister of the late Edward S. Ryan '31, to establish a scholarship in the Arts and Sciences; and a \$200,000 annuity from James F. McDonough '35, to endow a scholarship fund for students from Woburn, Massachusetts.

• The Law School's Special Gifts Committee, chaired by Owen Lynch '56, JD'59, raised 59 gifts in excess of \$5,000, totaling \$625,000. The Black Alumni Network established a Leadership Initiative Fund to support law students identified as future leaders.

BANNER YEAR

The Class of 1976 (right) had reason to wave its own banner in this spring's Commencement parade. The classes of 1976, 1971 and 1951 broke the records for 20th-, 25th- and 45th-reunion giving, respectively. Their efforts, along with those of the eight other reunion classes, came to \$5,819,827. The totals, by class:

CLASS OF 1996	\$19,000	CLASS OF 1966	\$636,352
CLASS OF 1991	\$85,042	CLASS OF 1961	\$683,560
CLASS OF 1986	\$175,873	CLASS OF 1956	\$381,614
CLASS OF 1981	\$246,758	CLASS OF 1951	\$1,531,445*
CLASS OF 1976	\$719,470*	CLASS OF 1946	\$39,538
CLASS OF 1971	\$1,301,175*	*Class reunion giving record	



FIRST PRINCIPLES

Coquillettte hopes a brush with ancient Roman law may revive his profession

Former law dean Daniel Coquillettte has donated to the new law library a rare first printed edition of the *Florentine Pandects*, the Roman legal text on which the Western concept of natural law is based. The book, Coquillettte says, is a signpost for his profession—one that needs heeding now especially.

Entitled *Digestorum seu Pandectarum Libri Quinquaginta ex Florentinis Pandectis In Officina Laurentii Torrentini Ducalis Typographi MDLIII*, the three-volume book is more frequently known as the *Florentine*, or *Pisan, Pandects*. Published during the Renaissance, it is the first printed edition of the *Digest* of Justinian, a summary of Roman law completed in 533 A.D. for the Byzantine emperor Justinian. The emperor's aim was to eliminate all inconsistencies and anachronisms from the Roman legal system, and once the volume was complete, he ordered all older law texts destroyed. "All of our knowledge of Roman law comes from a very few sources," Coquillettte says, "and this is the primary one."

The *Florentine Pandects* is a tangible reminder that "many, many generations of lawyers regarded the law as a fundamental humanity," Coquillettte says, "as an organizing principle of civilization and not just as a matter of winning or zealous advocacy." The *Pandects* set down the principles of natural law, which the Romans referred to as the Law of Peoples: laws shared by all civilized countries and superior to those enacted by man. Natural law became the foundation of canon law as well as secular human rights and international law.

In the 13th century the *Digest* came into the possession of Flo-



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"New lawyers need this now," says Daniel Coquillettte of the *Florentine Pandects*, which he donated to BC in May. A compendium of Roman law, the book set down the principles of natural law.

rence, where it was treasured by the Medicis, and in the mid-16th century, the dukes of Florence, aware of the fragility of the original, ordered between 200 and 300 copies printed. The task took 18 years to complete, and the resulting book, says Coquillettte, is "a monument of Renaissance printing and Italian design."

Coquillettte owned his copy for 20 years before finding a suitable repository for it; his goal, he says, was to find a place where the book would be accessible to law students as well as legal scholars. He found that in the new law library's Rare Books Room, which was dedicated in his name at a May 29 ceremony. ●

ENDOWMENT COUNTS

Of every dollar of University income, seven cents comes from either donations or endowment income. So said Financial Vice President Peter McKenzie when he addressed BC's National Development Board, the group that leads volunteer fund-raising efforts. Charitable giving, he said, provides critical relief from budget pressure and enables the University to improve programs and facilities.

LYNCH PIN

BC trustees, family and friends gathered on May 14 in Fulton Hall to honor Carolyn and Peter Lynch '65, for their contributions to the University. The event was held in the Thomas M. Lynch Executive Conference Center, which the Lynches established in memory of Peter Lynch's father. Their \$1-million gift toward the project was the largest made to the Campaign for Fulton Hall. On hand for the celebration was Peter Lynch's former finance professor and mentor, John J. Callins, SJ, in whose name the Lynches and others endowed the John J. Callins professorship in finance.

IN TRIBUTE

The following are among named endowed funds recently established at Boston College. New funds may be established, and contributions to existing funds made, through the Office of Development, Mare Hall.

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Daniel G. Halland '35 Scholarship Fund

The David Cax Maguire Scholarship Fund

The Barbara and Patrick E. Rache '51 Scholarship Fund

The Edward S. Ryan '31 Endowed Scholarship Fund*

The Mr. and Mrs. John Wisniewski '50 Scholarship Fund*

*Established through the Deferred Giving Program



Q & A

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Battle cries

WHY WAR TRIALS MATTER

Prosecuting human-rights offenses may or may not prevent future atrocities, but the trials do put a human face on the crimes themselves. Allan A. Ryan Jr., who advised the tribunals in Rwanda and who teaches human-rights law at BC, discusses the history of war crimes. An interview by Senior Writer John Ombelets

Let's start with the basic concept of a law of war. Is it reasonable to try to regulate something as essentially murderous as war?

It is reasonable. It is also possible, and sometimes it has even been done, amazingly enough. In fact, there is a law of war. Is that law always followed? Of course not. Neither are the laws against bank robbery and murder. Is the law of war sometimes breached intentionally? Yes, it's an imperfect system. But, in the words of Nuremberg prosecutor Telford Taylor, that law is honored sufficiently often that there are people alive today who would be dead had it not been honored. People are in prison today because they violated the law of war.

The law of war is the foundation for human-rights law precisely *because* we are imposing civility and respect for humanity on an event filled with violence and inhumanity. The law of war says that even though we're killing each other, we pledge not to take certain actions. If I wound you on the battlefield, I will not mistreat you. If I take you prisoner, I will not shoot you. This is the heart of human-rights law today: that human beings have certain rights, regardless of the nature of their government or what that government is doing.

One popular notion is that the idea of war crimes originated with Nuremberg, in response to the atrocities committed by the Axis powers during World War II. But that's not really true, is it?

The concept of crimes in war is as old as combat itself. One of the texts I use in my course on the law of war is an excerpt from *Manu-smṛiti*, a Hindu code from the first century B.C.E. It says, for example, "When the king fights with his foes in battle, let him not strike with weapons concealed, nor with barbed or poisoned weapons, nor weapons the points of which are blazing with fire."

fire." This is remarkably similar to the Fourth Hague Convention of 1907—the first modern treaty on forbidden weaponry—which prohibits “poisoned weapons” and “arms calculated to cause unnecessary suffering.” The Hindu text reminds the king to “remember the duty of honorable warriors.” Those concepts, duty and honor, are really the foundation of what today we call the law of war.

The thread from India to Nuremberg is not unbroken, however. Today there’s much more emphasis on humanitarian law—the protection of noncombatants and civilians in occupied territories. But the basic concepts go back to 12th- and 13th-century knights, who adopted codes of conduct for the battlefield. Some of their rules were pragmatic. For instance, one reason not to mistreat prisoners was so that they could be ransomed back to their king after the war was over.

Shakespeare’s *Henry V* is a marvelous exposition of the laws of war, at least as they existed in the Hundred Years War. I show the Kenneth Branagh film version in class, and it covers everything: a soldier is hung for stealing from a church; the English troops mourn the criminal killing of young boys. The rules of siege warfare are accurately recounted in iambic pentameter. Henry and his troops even discuss the doctrines of superior orders and command responsibility.

Over time the concept of war crimes has been expanded to include genocide and what we call crimes against humanity. Nuremberg was pivotal in that expansion. The Allies who put together the charter of the Nuremberg Tribunal in 1945 realized that the Geneva Conventions’ definition of war crimes was too limited to encompass the Nazi atrocities: the Geneva Conventions couldn’t cover crimes committed in the 1930s because war had not yet been declared, and they couldn’t govern the crimes of the Holocaust because those acts did not take place in combat.

So the idea of crimes against humanity—a peacetime analog to war crimes—was conceived. Although war crimes continue—My Lai in 1968 and

Srebrenica in 1996, for example—in the half century since Nuremberg, the concept of crimes against humanity has come to dominate the law.

One nation’s human-rights abuse is another nation’s method of maintaining civil order. Does the concept of human-rights law conflict with sovereignty?

Yes, it does conflict, in the same way that laws against murder or theft conflict with individual decision making at home. In both cases, the law must prevail over sovereignty. But, remember, this is all a fairly recent development in international politics. The idea of remedying human-rights violations is not even 50 years old. In the past, nations could invoke sovereignty and claim that their treatment of their citizens was a domestic matter—not the world’s business. But no nation can claim that today. If a nation is killing, persecuting or mistreating people on the basis of their race, religion, language, ethnicity or political beliefs, it may deny that it is doing so, but in 1996 no nation can say that those acts are no one else’s business. The world simply won’t accept that answer. We believe that people who are being persecuted have the right to appeal to the world. The Nuremberg trials and the rise of the United Nations and human-rights organizations brought about a change in the world’s thinking.

Is human-rights law weakened by reliance on politics, as opposed to international courts, for enforcement?

No. Political forces will always predominate, although the role of the courts is growing. Two questions I ask my students: what role do courts now play, and what role might they play in the enforcement of human rights? I believe we’re going to evolve toward the establishment of a permanent international criminal court, but I think that court is a long way off. And it will be limited in what it can accomplish. President Clinton can do more for human rights in 10 minutes than Chief Justice Rehnquist can do in a year.

China is a good example of how a traditional judicial solution is wholly impractical. Unlike the situations in Bosnia and Rwanda, there is no massive breakdown of civil order in China, and the international community has no mandate to set up official investigations of human-rights abuses or to charge Chinese officials. The Chinese government is certainly not going to permit that, and conducting trials of Chinese leaders in absentia would be a hollow exercise at best. Other tools, such as public pressure, media attention, and trade and diplomatic sanctions, are much more effective.

The South African government is taking another approach. It has convened a truth commission charged with investigating and describing abuses committed under the old apartheid system. The consensus was that the most important goal was not to put people in jail but to get the information out. Trials are not necessarily the best medium for getting information, and they produce a confrontational atmosphere, which the people of South Africa wanted to avoid. This is not to say there will be no trials—in fact, there are some trials going on in South Africa right now—but the primary vehicle for determining what happened under the apartheid regimes is not litigation; it’s disclosure.

Remember, the idea that there’s a judicial remedy for these kinds of abuses is still fresh, and we are still figuring out what the remedy ought to be. Should it be to compensate the victims? Should it be disclosure of the truth about past abuses? Should it be the punishment of the perpetrators? Or should it be some combination of these things?

What powers do the international courts have now, how are their decisions enforced, and what powers might they have as these ideas take firmer roots?

There are two international tribunals going on now: one for the former Yugoslavia and the other for Rwanda and the genocide that took place there in 1994. The courts were established by the United Nations, and they have broad powers to indict people for genocide,

war crimes, and crimes against humanity; to conduct full trials; to render judgment; and to order the guilty to jail. There is no death penalty. The biggest problem, of course, is getting the accused into custody. The whole idea of judicial remedies for war crimes is a 20th-century invention, although there are a few isolated examples from earlier days. For a long time the chief remedy was reprisal: if your soldiers violate the law against my army, then my soldiers will do the same to you—not the most elegant remedy. Reprisal came into disrepute at Nuremberg—at precisely the time when the idea of judicial remedies took root.

Is the law of war confined to war crimes and to crimes against humanity, or are its concepts spreading to other areas of the law?

I think it makes sense to talk about terrorism, airplane hijacking, drug trafficking and hostage taking. Legal approaches to combating terrorism, for example, owe a lot to laws devised to deal with war crimes. For example, the villagers massacred at My Lai in 1968 would consider themselves victims of terrorism. We look at that event and see a war crime. The line between terrorism, war crimes and crimes against humanity is thin. So it doesn't make sense, in my opinion, to continue to think of war crimes as separate. They must be seen in the same light as other crimes of terror.

Does the prosecution of war crimes and human-rights abuses have any deterrent effect internationally?

Who knows? The current trials in Yugoslavia and Rwanda are the first international war-crime prosecutions in 50 years. The effects will be important, but they're difficult to predict.

We don't know what deterrent effect these prosecutions have. We don't know what deterrent effect the prosecution of murderers in Massachusetts has on the murder rate. We don't know what would happen if we stopped

enforcing the law against murder or if we stopped prosecuting murder cases, but no one is suggesting that we stop, because prohibiting murder is an important tenet of our society. I think the same is the case with war crimes.

How effective are the attempts to prosecute war crimes in Yugoslavia likely to be?

Nuremberg has often been criticized as "victor's justice." I think Yugoslavia is being criticized because it's *not* "victor's justice." There is no victor in Yugoslavia. There is no occupying force. We cannot simply round up people and put them in jail to stand trial as we did in 1945. We are engaged in a delicate balancing act between peace and prosecution.

I think the indictments of Serbian leaders Ratko Mladic and Radovan Karadzic are important symbolic victories; the fact that they still stand indicted after the Dayton Peace Accord is a strong statement about the determination of Richard Goldstone, who is chief prosecutor for the Yugoslav tribunal, and John Shattuck, who is the assistant U.S. secretary of state for human rights. A year ago it was widely assumed that if we ever got the participants around a peace table, one of the first U.S. concessions would be the prosecution of war crimes. That did not happen.

What about Rwanda?

There are two levels of prosecution in Rwanda. The international tribunal has a chamber there, and the Rwandan government itself is undertaking investigations and preparing prosecutions. The latter process is moving slowly, primarily because resources are so limited; Rwanda is devastated. I went there last fall, at the request of government officials, to advise them on how to prosecute. It was sobering. The present government, I believe, has every intention of bringing accused genocidists to trial. But in a country in which photocopiers are a luxury

and computers are almost unknown and much of the nation, including government offices, doesn't have electricity, prosecution is a slow process.

The international tribunal is moving faster. Now it is focusing on prosecuting people outside of Rwanda, and the government is focusing on those who remain inside. We'll see how that process goes, but it won't be rapid.

How important is it that those who committed war crimes in Rwanda or Bosnia be prosecuted—particularly given the ravaged state of both regions and the lack of resources for prosecuting?

While I was in Rwanda, I went to see a mass grave that was still open, where the decomposing bodies of a great many victims were held. The sensory experience of being that close to genocide is quite remarkable because you see, you smell, you feel, you almost taste what happened, and it is a visceral reminder that when we talk about genocide, we're not talking only about something that happened 50 years ago. You can visit the Holocaust sites, you can visit the memorials, but when you actually see the graves, the bodies, the victims, you're reminded how overwhelming the crime of genocide is. That made me more aware of the magnitude of the crime. No one, I think, can relate to the Holocaust as a crime that had six million victims. That number is simply too large to comprehend. We are better able to relate to 16 children murdered in a kindergarten in Scotland or 160 people murdered in a federal building in Oklahoma City. And so I think that the most powerful and most affecting stories of the Holocaust are those of individuals. It is in bringing the Holocaust down to a human scale that we are best able to understand it. Prosecutions have the advantage of bringing it down to that scale. The effect of the prosecutions in Rwanda and in Bosnia, I hope, will be to make them understandable on a human scale to the rest of the world. ●

The job that refreshes

**COCA-COLA ARCHIVIST
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Phil Mooney's job begins with junk—old green glass bottles and rusty red metal Coca-Cola trays. Then his work fizzes outward in a million directions. As the Coca-Cola Company's archivist, Mooney maintains the historical records of a company whose main product goes back 110 years and is an icon of American culture.

Mooney collects Depression-era vending machines. And bottles designed to be recognizable in the dark. And 1960s radio jingles that evoke sun-tan oil and innocence. They're all at the Coca-Cola Museum, which he helped create. It now ranks as Atlanta's most popular tourist attraction, drawing one million visitors a year.

A native of Lowell, Massachusetts, Mooney spent nine years as an archivist at Syracuse University and at an institute devoted to immigrant history. These days he's traveling with an exhibition called "The World of Coca-Cola." Coke's logo is recognized by 99 percent of people on earth, he says.

In a world fraught with tension, Mooney, 51, represents a symbol that's internationally "associated with the good times, the fun times," he says. People write him. "They'll say, 'My dad had a bottle of Coke that he carried through World War II for good luck,'" Mooney says. One father wrote to say he'd saved a bottle for years to open on his daughter's wedding day. He wondered if the Coke was still drinkable.

"It's not exactly fine wine," Mooney told him.

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